

Report

Report to:	Enterprise Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	20 January 2010
Report by:	Executive Director (Enterprise Resources)

Subject:	Enterprise Resources - Resource Plan 2009/2010 – Quarter 2 Progress Report
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ advise of progress against the Resource Plan over the first half of the year from April to September 2009.

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the progress made to date against the actions and measures contained within the Resource Plan be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Resource Plan sets out objectives and priorities to be managed and delivered by the Resource for the period 2009/2010. It was approved by Committee at the meeting held on 7 July 2009.
- 3.2. The Resource Plan 2009/2010 now embodies the vision, priorities, objectives and improvement themes of the Council Plan 'Connect', based on the 2009 Mid Term Review. It also reflects the Community Plan objectives and the Single Outcome Agreement.
- 3.3. The Resource Plan links with the priorities being set out at a national and local level as appropriate and provides the context for the development of services in South Lanarkshire.
- 3.4. Full copies of the Resource Plan and respective Service / Business Plans can be made available if required.

4. Objectives for the Resource for 2009 – 2010

4.1. The Resource objectives for 2009-2010 are listed below under the relevant improvement theme and objectives from the Council Plan:

Council objective: *Improve the quality of the physical environment*

- ♦ Improve our towns and villages through improved management and maintenance, promotional events and investment
- ♦ Unlock the development potential of vacant, derelict and contaminated sites and remove and control health risks

- ◆ Set out strategy for development and land use across the whole of the Council's area

Council objective: *Improve the road network and public transport (Council priority)*

- ◆ Implement a major programme of carriageway resurfacing to reflect maintenance requirements across all classes of road (Resource priority)
- ◆ Undertake and promote a series of new roads proposals (Resource priority)
- ◆ Promote the development of modern public transport facilities

Council objective: *Improve community safety*

- ◆ Invest in road safety improvements in terms of lighting, traffic signals and accident reduction measures

Council objective: *Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for growth, improving skills and employability (Council priority)*

- ◆ Develop the area's tourism potential and its image / profile (Resource priority)
- ◆ Support the Clyde Gateway Regeneration Initiative (Resource priority)
- ◆ Deliver support to local businesses (Resource priority)
- ◆ Promote employability and access to jobs (Resource priority)
- ◆ Tackle poverty (Resource priority)
- ◆ Implement the Rural Strategy and Action Plan through the South Lanarkshire Rural Partnership (Resource priority)
- ◆ Support and develop the South Lanarkshire community and voluntary sector (Resource priority)

Corporate improvement theme: Efficient and effective use of resources

- ◆ Manage land and property assets efficiently (Resource priority)

Corporate improvement theme: Vision and strategic direction (includes sustainable development and equalities) (Council priority)

- ◆ Secure quality living and working environments for health, wellbeing and economic prosperity (Resource priority)

5. Progress to date

- 5.1. Our Resource Plan clearly sets out specific actions to be undertaken in support of our Corporate Improvement Themes, and in delivery of our Objectives and Priorities. Each action has one or more defined measures which have been allocated to the Service Heads. The measures are the reporting mechanism through which the members of the Council, employees and the wider public will be informed at twice yearly intervals on progress with our stated actions.
- 5.2. Where a measure is showing not on course to achieve a detailed explanation and the corrective action being taken will be provided in the respective Quarter 2 Resource Plan reports to individual Resource Committees. Detailed progress against all Council Plan measures is contained in the appendix which is attached to this report. The appendix has been produced through the Council's new performance management reporting system IMPROVe, and involves a traffic light format using the following definitions to give a status report on each measure:

- ◆ Green: achieved, or is on course to achieve with no issues anticipated
- ◆ Amber: on course to achieve, however there may be issues with minor slippage anticipated
- ◆ Red: not on course to achieve, with major slippage anticipated

The overall summary of progress to date is as follows:

◆ Total number of measures	230
◆ Status - Green	124
◆ Status - Amber	30
◆ Status – Red	2
◆ Reportable at later stage	74

Progress on all objectives, actions and measures is noted at Appendix 1.

5.3. Highlights for the year to date are noted below under the relevant Council improvement theme or objective:

Corporate improvement theme: Efficient and effective use of resources

- ◆ Despite the difficult economic position we are currently on course to meet the capital receipt programme and lease portfolio net rental income annual targets
- ◆ External funding of £1.14m has been attracted from EU, lottery and related sources to support corporate objectives

Corporate improvement theme: Vision and strategic direction (includes sustainable development and equalities)

- ◆ Guidance has been produced on sustainability factors for designers and the first workshop on sustainability appraisal for designers was conducted in May 2009

Council objective: *Improve the quality of the physical environment*

- ◆ Public realm improvements in Lanark have been completed on time and on budget
- ◆ Satisfaction rating of 72% was sustained when surveys of users were undertaken in July/August 2009 in relation to the general environment of town centres
- ◆ A Guide to Decision Making Process (Planning) was approved by the Scottish Government and was published in August 2009
- ◆ A new scheme of planning delegation was approved by Executive Committee in June and submitted to the Scottish Government
- ◆ Planning and Building Standards processes were reviewed and adapted to facilitate the launch and roll out of Electronic Document Records Management System (EDRMS) and Online Applications and Appeals System (OAA)

Council objective: *Improve the road network and public transport*

- ◆ 136 carriageway schemes have been completed resulting in 5.6% of the road network being resurfaced against an annual target of 9%
- ◆ Refurbishment works at Centre roundabout in East Kilbride and of Duke Street multi-storey car park, Hamilton are complete
- ◆ Progress on the Peacock Cross traffic management scheme has continued to be made. Planning permission has been granted for revised access arrangements and following the public local inquiry the Compulsory Purchase Order decision was found in favour of the Council enabling continued development of the scheme.
- ◆ Farmloan overbridge superstructure erected and complete ahead of schedule

Council objective: *Improve community safety*

- ◆ A new road safety education initiative 'Your Call' was introduced to all secondary schools
- ◆ Annual programme to install speed activated signs at 10 locations is complete

Council objective: *Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for growth, improving skills and employability*

- ◆ 831 jobs have been created or sustained as a direct result of local authority intervention exceeding the target set for the year
- ◆ South Lanarkshire has been selected by the Scottish Government as pilot area for Activity Agreements. Our Journeys peer research project developed and commenced. Activity Agreement structure developed. The first stage of Our Journeys research project has been completed.
- ◆ 2,478 workless individuals were engaged in employability programmes, surpassing the target to support 2,000 people
- ◆ Funding approved for all five Leader schemes. All schemes progressing well and uptake very positive

5.4. Actions or measures that we are not on course to achieve, with major slippage anticipated (status red) are noted below together with the reason and management action being taken.

Resource objective: Improve our towns and villages through improved management and maintenance, promotional events and investment			
Action	Measure	Progress	Management action, responsibility deadline
Continue to support the town centre network and develop and oversee their respective programmes	Work with private sector owners and developers in Hamilton and East Kilbride	<p>East Kilbride town centre masterplan discussions continuing with objective of concluding agreements during 2010. Discussions continuing with Asda, planning application subject to supplementary masterplan currently being progressed.</p> <p>Downturn in economy has resulted in no further progress on owners scheme (Regent Centre, Hamilton)</p>	Head of Regeneration
Resource objective: Promote the development of modern public transport facilities			
Deliver key projects in line with Council capital programme and the Local Transport Strategy	Progress detailed design of Blantyre rail station park and ride expansion	Planning application submission for Blantyre park and ride remains a SPT category 2 project without funding	Head of Roads and Transportation

6 New issues

6.1 There are no new issues.

7 Financial information

7.1 The revenue, capital and trading services position is noted below as at period 7 which ended 2 October 2009.

	Total Budget £000's	Forecast year to date £000's	Actual year to date £000's
Revenue	43,059	22,829	22,930
Capital	31,617	10,135	11,052
Trading Services	(1,094)	(589)	(697)

8. Employee Implications

- 8.1 The objectives and priorities noted within the Plan will inform the Resource Plans and in turn the Performance Development and Review process for individual employees.

9 Financial Implications

- 9.1 Resource Plan objectives and more detailed Service Plans inform financial planning within the Resource. There are however no specific financial implications arising from this particular report. Priorities will continue to be delivered within existing revenue and capital resources.

10 Other Implications

- 10.1 None

11 Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 11.1 The Council's Resource planning process is informed by consultation and where appropriate more detailed consultation is carried out in relation to specific priorities. A Resource wide schedule has been developed for projects and functions requiring equalities impact assessment.

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Link(s) to Council objectives or improvement themes

- ◆ Improve the quality of the physical environment
- ◆ Improve the road network and public transport
- ◆ Improve community safety
- ◆ Support local economy by providing the right conditions for growth, improving skills and employability
- ◆ Vision and strategic direction (including sustainable development and equalities)
- ◆ Performance management and improvement
- ◆ Governance and accountability
- ◆ Efficient and effective use of resources

Previous References

- ◆ Report to Enterprise Resources Committee dated 7 July 2009

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Enterprise Resources Resource Plan 2009 – 2010
- ◆ “Connect”, Council Plan 2007 to 2011

Contact for Further Information

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