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Report to:	Executive Committee
Date of Meeting:	7 September 2011
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Information Technology Resources)

Subject:	Trading Services Financial Performance for Period 1 April to 5 August 2011
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ provide information on the estimated surplus for each of the Council's Trading Services
- ◆ provide information on the actual surplus as at 5 August 2011
- ◆ provide an update on the projected results for the financial year 2011/2012.

2. Recommendation(s)

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

- (1) that the surplus achieved to 5 August 2011 of £2.895 million, as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be noted.

3. Background

3.1. During the budget exercise an estimated target for Trading Operations' surpluses was set at £9.722 million. In the accounting period to 8 July 2011, this estimated target had been revised to £9.637 million.

3.2. Minor budget adjustments in the period to 5 August 2011, increased the budgeted Trading surplus by £0.009 million, resulting in a revised budget of £9.646 million. Details of the financial performance of each of the individual Trading Operations is provided in Appendix A to this report.

3.3. This budgeted surplus sum will continue to be taken as a minimum target for achievement by the Trading Services. Effort will be maintained to maximise results during the remainder of this financial year.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

5.1. As at 5 August 2011, the actual surpluses achieved by the Trading Services total £2.895 million.

6. Other Implications

- 6.1. The main risk associated with the Trading Operations' Budgets is failure to manage the budget resulting in a significant reduction in the surplus achieved. The risk has been assessed as low given the detailed budget management applied across the Trading Operations. The risk is managed through four weekly Budget Monitoring Meetings at which any variance is analysed. In addition, the probable outturn exercise ensures early warning for corrective action to be taken where appropriate.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 7.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 7.2. There is also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

Archibald Strang
Chief Executive

15 August 2011

Link(s) to Council Values/Improvement Themes/Objectives

- ◆ Accountable, Effective and Efficient

Previous References

- ◆ Executive Committee, 6 July 2011

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Financial ledger and budget monitoring results to 5 August 2011

Contact for Further Information

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SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
Revenue Budget Monitoring Report
Period Ended 5 August 2011
Trading Operations

	2011/2012 Revenue Budget Surplus	2011/2012 Forecast Revenue Budget Surplus	Surplus / (Deficit) at 05/08/11
Trading Service	£m	£m	£m
Facilities Management	691	691	264
Fleet	251	251	96
Grounds Maintenance	929	929	329
Roads	1,822	1,822	704
Property Services	<u>5,953</u>	<u>5,953</u>	<u>1,502</u>
Total	<u>9,646</u>	<u>9,646</u>	<u>2,895</u>