

Cunninghame House,
Irvine.

9 June 2016

North Ayrshire Council

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the above mentioned Committee of North Ayrshire Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House, Irvine on **WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 2016** at **2.00 p.m.** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours faithfully

Elma Murray

Chief Executive

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to give notice of any declarations of interest in respect of items of business on the Agenda.

3. Previous Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of both the ordinary and special meeting of the Council held on 30 March 2016 will be confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (copies enclosed).

4. Provost's Report

The Provost will report.

5. Leader's Report

The Leader of the Council will report.

6. North Ayrshire Council Minute Volume (issued under separate cover)

Submit for noting, the minutes of meetings of committees of the Council held in the period 10 March to 3 June 2016.

7. North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of Meetings held on 24 March 2016 and 2 June 2016 (Page 37)

Submit report by the Chief Executive on the Minutes of the meetings of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board held on 24 March 2016 and 2 June 2016 (copy enclosed)

8. Questions

In terms of Standing Order No. 12 submit:-

- (a) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Support in the following terms:-

"How many employees of NAC whose remuneration, excluding pension contributions, were in excess of £50,000 during 2015/16, in bands of £10,000 ?"

- (b) a question by Councillor Bell to the Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

"Recent reports suggest teaching unions are considering strike action in protest at the increased workload on teachers. Given the high level of bureaucracy involved in the new exam system, and the slow progress in raising attainment, does the member regret the cuts in additional support staff, classroom assistants and support staff in recent budgets?"

- (c) a question by Councillor Bell to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Infrastructure and Housing in the following terms:-

"Can the member advise on what progress has been made in ensuring adequate bus services are in place between Kilbirnie and Beith and the Garnock campus given that we are now within six months of its planned opening."

- (d) a question by Councillor Reid to the Leader of the council in the following terms:-

"Following the Scottish Parliament Elections last month has the Leader of the Council or any of his fellow Cabinet members met with the new Scottish Government Ministers to lobby or discuss improvements to the A737, B714 or A738?"

- (e) a question by Councillor Barr to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Support in the following terms:-

"A number of employees have left the employment of North Ayrshire Council in the past 12 months. How many of these now ex employees were asked to sign Confidential Gagging Orders?"

- (f) a question by Councillor Gallagher to the Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

"The Scottish Government has plans to create regional education boards for the delivery of national educational priorities, thus bypassing local Education Departments and local democratic control.

Has the portfolio holder considered how such proposals could or would impact on the Council's budget for Education and on the delivery of Educational and related services?"

- (g) a question by Councillor Gallagher to the Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Regeneration in the following terms:-

"In May SEPA issued an authorisation allowing the transport, storage and onward delivery of some categories of radioactive waste between Torness and Hunterston B power stations.

Given that the North Ayrshire Council objected to the original proposal, what is the Council's reaction to the SEPA decision and has the Council conducted any investigation to determine whether the SEPA authorisation makes the roads in North Ayrshire safer or less safe for the population of the council area?"

- (h) a question by Councillor Gallagher to the Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Regeneration in the following terms:-

"What is the Council's position on the recent changes to the regulations governing the transportation of petrol and diesel on Scottish ferries, including the Largs-Cumbrae and Ardrossan-Arran ferry services?"

- (i) a question by Councillor Clarkson to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Support in the following terms:-

"At the Cabinet Meeting of 24th May, it was reported that the NAHSCP had an overspend of £854,000. This was in addition to the £1,255,000 previously agreed on the 29th March.

Can you confirm from which Budget this total of £2,109,000 has been taken?"

- (j) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Support in the following terms:-

"As a Local Member I welcome the decision to build the new Largs Campus School. However the financial details surrounding this project are not clear to Members.

Largs Academy is to be built using a Design, Build, Finance and Maintain (DBFM) model and will be delivered through a Company named DBFM Holdco in which the private sector development partner (hub South West) has a 60% equity share and NAC has 10% share. It is similar to the previous PPP contracts that were used to build schools except that it uses a Non Profit Distribution Model (NPDM) whereby the private sector profits are capped and any surplus returned to the Public Sector.

- a) What is the issued share capital of DBFM Holdco and the value of the NAC share?
 - b) What was the cost of land acquisition and is the title freehold?
 - c) How much is the monthly unitary charge over the 27 year term and what is its apportionment between build cost and maintenance?
 - d) What is the estimated replacement value of the building and fitments when completed?
 - e) At what level are the private sector profits capped and in the event of a surplus does NAC receive a 10% share?
 - f) If as is common in Public sector projects there is a cost overrun, who meets this?
 - g) On what items of expenditure will the direct (in addition to the DBFM Contract) spend of £7.666M NAC be utilised?
 - h) At what stages of the contract will NAC Building Control be involved?"
- (k) a question by Councillor Montgomerie to the Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

"What safeguards, checks and protocols have been put in place with the new 3rd sectors service providers being placed within North Ayrshires education system through the GIRFEC model, in regards to disclosure Scotland checks, data protection, parental opt out and the service intended is service provided?"

- (l) a question by Councillor McNicol to the Leader of the Council in the following terms:-

"On the 26th May, 2016 the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland submitted to Scottish Ministers recommendations for Councillor numbers and Wards in each of Scotland's 32 Council areas.

Final recommendations for North Ayrshire Council Area presents an Electoral arrangement of 33 Councillors representing seven 3 member wards and three 4 member wards.

In correspondence dated 25th. May, 2015 to the Secretary of the LGBC for Scotland the Chief Executive requested a meeting with the Commission in person to discuss North Ayrshire Council's submission. It was requested that the Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition accompany the Chief Executive.

Will the Leader of the Council confirm that a meeting took place, and if so who attended, what was the outcome of discussions, and why were other Group Leaders excluded?"

- (m) a question by Councillor Cullinane to the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care in the following terms:-

"The contract document between North Ayrshire Council and North Ayrshire Citizens Advice Service states that:

'The council will monitor the service provision externally and prepare a report once a year for the provider and the council prior to the contract renegotiation.'

Can the portfolio holder advise me whether such a report was prepared for 2014/15 and 2015/16?"

- (n) a question by Councillor Cullinane to the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care in the following terms:-

"The contract document between North Ayrshire Council and North Ayrshire Citizens Advice Service states that:

'A monitoring report will be prepared by the council and the provider and be submitted to the councils scrutiny committee on an annual basis.'

Can the portfolio holder advise me at what meetings of the scrutiny committee during this council term have such reports been tabled?"

- (o) a question by Councillor Cullinane to the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care in the following terms:-

The contract document between North Ayrshire Council and North Ayrshire Citizens Advice Service states that:

'The council will schedule meetings on a quarterly basis, or as otherwise agreed, with the provider to review the service which may result in changes to the service delivered.'

Can the portfolio holder advise me when these meetings took place over 2015/16 and and they provider members with the minutes of these meetings?"

9. Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies

Consider the undernoted nominations:-

Committee	Resignation/Vacancy	Nomination(s) Received for Vacancy
Appeals Committee (named substitute for Leader)	Ruth Maguire's resignation from Council	Councillor Grace McLean
Integration Joint Board	Ruth Maguire's resignation from Council	Councillor Catherine McMillan
Staffing and Recruitment Committee (named substitute for Leader)	Ruth Maguire's resignation from Council	Councillor Grace McLean

Outside Body	Vacancy	Nomination(s) Received
Violence Against Women Forum	Ruth Maguire's resignation from Council	Councillor Catherine McMillan
COSLA Resources and Capacity Executive Group	Ruth Maguire's resignation from Council	Councillor Alan Hill

10. Unaudited Annual Accounts 2015/16 (Page 53)

Submit report by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support) on an overview of the Council's unaudited Annual Accounts for the year to 31 March 2016 (copy enclosed).

11. North Ayrshire Charitable Trusts: Unaudited Trustees' Annual Reports 2015/16 (Page 133)

Submit report by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support) on the unaudited Trustees' Annual Reports for the year to 31 March 2016 (copy enclosed).

12. Treasury Management Annual Report 2015/16 (Page 257)

Submit report by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support) on the Treasury Management Annual Report and Prudential Indicators for 2015/16 (copy enclosed).

13. Motions

In terms of Standing Order 22(a), notice is hereby given of the following Motions for consideration by the Council at its next ordinary meeting:-

- (a) a Motion by Councillor Highgate seconded by Councillor Bell in the following terms:-

"That North Ayrshire Council congratulate Beith Juniors on winning the Scottish Junior Cup. That the Council notes the great positive impact the event had on the whole community. In addition the Council commends the good behaviour of supporters before, during and after the game and also the approach of the local Police in maintaining order without hampering the celebrations."

- (b) a Motion by Councillor Cullinane seconded by Councillor Gallagher in the following terms:-

"Council opposes all fracking and any UGE (Unconventional Gas Extraction) in North Ayrshire"

- (c) a Motion by Councillor Hunter seconded by Councillor McNicol in the following terms:-

"Further to the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's latest review of numbers of Councillors and ward boundaries for each Local Authority area in Scotland, submissions are invited from all interested parties regarding their proposals. (see LGBCS website for details)

Such submissions will be considered by Scottish Government Ministers in due course and any comments on the reports and their recommendations should be submitted by 7 July 2016 to: Tony Romain, Scottish Government, Local Government Policy and Relationship Unit, Directorate for Local Government and Communities, Area 3J, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ.

To that end we move that this Council rejects the recommendations of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland to Scottish Ministers regarding the proposed increase in the number of Councillors to be elected to North Ayrshire Council, (from 30 to 33), at next year's local elections, and in addition that the North Ayrshire Council ward boundaries remain unaltered; i.e. that the status quo be maintained."

14. Urgent Items

Any other items which the Provost considers to be urgent.

North Ayrshire Council

Sederunt:

Joan Sturgeon (Provost)
Robert Barr (Depute Provost)
John Bell
Matthew Brown
John Bruce
Marie Burns
Ian Clarkson
Joe Cullinane
Anthea Dickson
John Easdale
John Ferguson
Alex Gallagher
Willie Gibson
Tony Gurney
Jean Highgate
Alan Hill
John Hunter
Elizabeth McLardy
Grace McLean
Catherine McMillan
Peter McNamara
Ronnie McNicol
Tom Marshall
Jim Montgomerie
Alan Munro
David O'Neill
Irene Oldfather
Donald Reid
Robert Steel

Attending:

Apologies:

Meeting Ended:

North Ayrshire Council
30 March 2016

IRVINE , 30 March 2016 - At a Meeting of North Ayrshire Council at 2.00 p.m.

Present

Joan Sturgeon, Robert Barr, John Bell, Matthew Brown, John Bruce, Marie Burns, Ian Clarkson, Joe Cullinane, Anthea Dickson, John Easdale, John Ferguson, Alex Gallagher, Willie Gibson, Tony Gurney, Jean Highgate, Alan Hill, John Hunter, Ruth Maguire, Tom Marshall, Grace McLean, Catherine McMillan, Peter McNamara, Ronnie McNicol, Alan Munro, David O'Neill, Donald Reid and Robert Steel.

Also Present

E. Murray, Chief Executive; L. Friel, Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support); C. Hatton, Executive Director (Place); J. Butcher, Executive Director (Education and Youth Employment), I. Colvin, Director (Health and Social Care Partnership); K. Yeomans, Executive Director (Economy and Communities); A. Fraser, Head of Democratic Support; C. Andrew, Senior Manager (Legal Services); M. Gilmour, Senior Communications Officer (Media and Internal Communications) and M. Anderson, Committee Services Team Leader (Chief Executive's Service).

Chair

Provost Sturgeon in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Elizabeth McLardy, Jim Montgomerie and Irene Oldfather.

1. Apologies for Absence

The Provost invited intimation of apologies for absence, which were recorded.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in terms of Standing Order 10 and Section 5 of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

There were no declarations of the Party Whip.

3. Previous Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of (i) the Special Meeting of the Council held at 11.00 a.m on 17 February 2016, (ii) the Special Meeting of the Council held at 1.00 p.m. on 17 February 2016, (iii) the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 17 February 2016, (iv) the Special Council (Planning) (Pre-Determination Hearings) Meeting held on 24 February 2016 and (v) the Special Council (Planning) (Determination) Meeting held on 24 February 2016, was confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. Provost's Report

The Provost reported on the following matters:-

- the official opening of new high quality affordable housing at Dickson Way in Irvine on 25 February 2016;
- the recent topping out ceremony at the Portal, Irvine's new Cultural and Leisure Centre;
- the presentation of certificates at the Foster Carer Award Ceremony on 4 March 2016;
- International Women's Day on 8 March 2016 and the first anniversary of the launch of the 'This Ayrshire Girl Can' campaign, as well as attendance at an Ayrshire College Students' Association event to celebrate females pursuing careers in science, technology, engineering and maths;
- a visit, together with the Depute Lieutenant, to congratulate Mr and Mrs Crombie from Irvine on their 60th wedding anniversary on 9 March;
- the Provost's Civic Pride Charity Awards on 18 March 2016, which raised £20,000 for Ayrshire Hospice and Cash for Kids;
- the opening of the new Andrew Wright Windows showroom in Irvine on 23 March 2016;
- the launch on 24 March 2016 of the book "Stay Strong Little Mousey", which was written and illustrated by Shannon Morrison, a Modern Apprentice with the Council's Youth Services and recent recipient of the Young Citizen of the Year award at the Civic Pride Awards; and
- the excellent response from Elected Members and Council staff to the North Ayrshire Foodbank appeal.

5. Leader's Report

The Leader of the Council reported on the following matters:-

- attendance at the Ayrshire Growth Deal business breakfast on 18 February 2016 and the subsequent receipt of a letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Infrastructure, Investment and Cities, Keith Brown MSP, acknowledging the collaborative work that the 3 Local Authorities in Ayrshire have taken so far in working together at a strategic regional level;
- the opening on 22 February 2016, of the new facility at Glaxo Smith Kline (GSK) in Irvine;
- attendance, at an invitation from the Minister for Business, Energy and Tourism, Fergus Ewing, at the Longannet Task Force meeting on 29 February in Dunfermline;

- the Council's business conference held on 4 March at the Waterside hotel, Seamill, which was attended by Scotland's Deputy First Minister, John Swinney, who delivered the keynote speech on how North Ayrshire can play its part in the Scottish Government's Economic Strategy;
- attendance at the Convention of Highlands and Islands on 6 and 7 March 2016 in Stornoway, the agenda for which included improving digital and mobile connectivity and addressing problems such as fuel poverty in our areas;
- presentation of the "Alex Pettigrew" award at the 60th Anniversary of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards on 11 March 2016;
- the official re-opening of Saltcoats Town Hall by the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, on 14 March 2016; and
- the Cold Water Island Tourism Conference which took place on Arran from 14-17 March 2016.

The Leader concluded his report by expressing his sadness and dismay at the recent terrorist events in Brussels and Lahore.

6. North Ayrshire Council Minute Volume

Submitted for noting and approval of any recommendations contained therein, the Minutes of meetings of committees of the Council held in the period 15 December 2015 to 17 March 2016. The Minutes of the North Coast Area Committee held of 24 March 2016 were circulated at the meeting.

The Council agreed to (a) note the Minutes and approve any recommendations therein; and (b) approve as a correct record the Minutes of the final cycle of Area Committee meetings, for signature in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

7. Questions

In terms of Standing Order No. 12 there were submitted:-

- (a) a question by Councillor Reid to the Leader of the Council in the following terms:-

"Can the Leader of the Council please advise me of recent progress (if any) on a firm announcement by the Scottish Government to progress the Dalry Bypass following meetings with Scottish Government Ministers since the Council meeting in December 2015?"

The Leader thanked the Member for his question and responded in the following terms:-

“Excellent progress is being made to advance the construction of the Dalry Bypass.

The Scottish Governments budget for 2016/17, announced by the Depute First Minister on the 16th December, made provision to progress procurement of the A737 Dalry Bypass.

The procurement process formally commenced on the 22nd March following the publication of a contract notice on the Public Contracts Scotland website for the design, construction, completion and maintenance of the bypass.

It is anticipated that the contract will be awarded in early 2017 with works commencing shortly thereafter and being completed by Autumn 2018.”

As a supplementary question, Councillor Reid asked whether progress would now be made to link the Dalry By-Pass with the A78.

Councillor Gibson advised that construction works to re-align a 1.375 km stretch on land adjacent to Girthill and Yonderhouse Farms was expected to commence in Autumn 2016 and that road closures would be minimised as the section to be constructed only interacted with the current alignment at entrance and exit points.

(b) a question by Councillor Barr to the Cabinet Member for Community and Culture in the following terms:-

"Who took the decision for the Queen's 90th birthday beacon to be lit at Cannon Hill Ardrossan?"

Councillor Hill thanked the Member for his question and responded in the following terms:-

“The Head of Service, Connected Communities, was asked to propose a site for the lighting of a beacon for the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations, as part of a national programme of events.

Cannon Hill was proposed for the following reasons:

- the Council owns the site and therefore has control over access and events which take place there;
- the accessibility of the site for all participants;
- the availability of car parking;
- the proximity of the Civic Centre for the additional celebratory events; and

- for health and safety reasons since the site has recently been used for a variety of events run by the Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society and has proven to be viable for such events.”

As a supplementary question, Councillor Barr asked why a decision relating to such an important date in the British calendar had not been brought to the full Council.

Councillor Hill responded by indicating that this was a matter of judgement depending on priorities. Councillor Hill also advised that Baidland Hill, which had been mentioned by Councillor Barr in the preamble to his question, had been considered as a potential location, but ruled out due to issues around land ownership, public access and the lambing season.

- (c) a question by Councillor Gallagher to the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care in the following terms:-

The First Minister recently stated during a BBC interview that the Named Person legislation is **"not compulsory, it's an entitlement, not an obligation"** and **"if the parent doesn't want anything to do with the Named Person scheme they don't have to...It's not mandatory"**

Can the portfolio holder inform Councillors if the Named Person scheme is being treated as a voluntary entitlement in North Ayrshire, and if so how is the voluntary aspect of the scheme being implemented?

If it is, as the First minister claims, not mandatory for parents to co-operate with the Named Person scheme, is it also non-mandatory for teachers and other professionals who may have to operate within the Named Person scheme? If so, how is this voluntary element of the operation of the scheme being implemented in North Ayrshire?"

Councillor Dickson responded in the following terms:-

“I thank Councillor Gallagher for his question and welcome the opportunity to clarify the points he has raised about the role of the Named Person contained in the Children and Young People’s legislation.

The role of a Named Person is a key part of the Children and Young People (Scotland) 2014 Act. The Act formalises what should happen in the GIRFEC approach, which is already working well in many parts of Scotland.

It ensures that health boards and local authorities make a Named Person available to every child and young person. The phrase ‘named person’ seems to have caused concern. The legislation should perhaps have used the phrase ‘single point of contact’ and if so I am sure the hysteria that has followed might not have happened.

So yes, from a parent's point of view, it is a voluntary matter as to whether or not they wish to interact with the named person. Most parents will not have any special concerns about their child, but for the minority who do, they now know who they should contact, and who will co-ordinate support arrangements if more than one area of expertise is needed.

From an authority view point, it is mandatory that a single point of contact is identified for each child whether that is a health visitor for the pre-school age, or teacher for those <18 years or still in full time education. That role forms part of the professional member of staff's working arrangements; some will have the responsibility, some will not."

As a supplementary question, Councillor Gallagher expressed the view that the scheme was not a voluntary entitlement for children in that children would automatically be appointed a named person, and he asked whether a teacher or other professional expected to be a Named Person would see their career or professional standing adversely affected by any unwillingness to take on such a role.

Councillor Dickson clarified the mandatory element of the scheme, likening it to the obligation to have a person's name on a doctor's register regardless of whether or not they then had occasion to call upon that doctor's services. With regard to the role of teachers, Councillor Dickson acknowledged this was outwith the scope of her Cabinet remit, but expressed the view that teachers already carried out the duties associated with the named person role and that questions might legitimately arise with their line manager in the event of them refusing to comply with the scheme.

(d) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

"A YouGov poll, commissioned by The Times last week , found that 48 per cent of Scots oppose the controversial Named Person scheme, 26 per cent being strongly against it. The figures also revealed that 35 per cent of SNP supporters are against the scheme, while just 44 per cent back it.

During an interview with BBC Scotland political editor Brian Taylor on Sunday, Nicola Sturgeon said : 'One of the things about the Named Person, and I take responsibility for this because I don't know that it is well understood, is it is not compulsory. It's an entitlement, not an obligation. If a parent doesn't want to have anything to do with the Named Person scheme, they don't have to 'It's not mandatory. If you as a parent don't want to and don't feel the need, you don't have to have anything to do with it.'

Does this mean that parents of children in North Ayrshire Schools can opt out of this "State Guardian" Scheme and avoid intrusion into their family's life?"

Councillor Bruce thanked the Member for his question and responded in the following terms:-

“The Children and Young People's Act (Scotland) 2014 is due for full implementation in August 2016. Compliance with the terms of the act will mean that **ALL** young people in Scotland will have an entitlement to a Named Person. This person will be the main point of contact for all those who support the wellbeing of a young person including parents, carers, teachers, and any other key partners working with them.

The act enshrines in law what we, in Education and Youth Employment already provide for every young person in North Ayrshire through GIRFEC (Getting It Right for Every Child) Framework. That is:

- A service which puts the children and young people at the heart of everything we do.
- Provision of a learning environment which protects and safeguards every child and young person.
- A learning environment where wellbeing needs are addressed as soon as they become apparent.
- A learning environment where every child and young person is supported to be healthy, happy and able to achieve their potential.

The provision of a named person's service is a core component of the act. In North Ayrshire, (Education and Youth Employment) we have been working hard with colleagues from the Health and Social Care Partnership to prepare our workforce to fully deliver on the act from August 2016.

In North Ayrshire, the named person will be:-

- A health visitor for those children from 0-5.
- A primary head teacher for children from P1 to P7.
- A promoted member of staff in a secondary school.

These are the key people from whom parents and carers would naturally seek assistance within our current services. The named person service which will be provided within North Ayrshire will also operate a service during the holiday periods and will be offered as an entitlement to:-

- Gypsy/Traveller children.
- Children suffering chronic illness and unable to attend school.
- Home schooled children.

This will mean that every child and young person will have access to the Named Person service.

Parents can, if they wish to do so “opt out” of any engagement or interaction with the service. However, a named person **will be allocated** to every child in North Ayrshire, in compliance with the act. The act ensures that every child’s wellbeing is central to our processes and planning and that every child is protected and safeguarded. We would always encourage and support parents to work in partnership with us, but the choice for them to opt out of engagement with the service remains their choice. North Ayrshire Education and Youth employment certainly do not consider this aspect of the act to be an intrusion in family life, but a real support for families when they need it, and require the support of key professionals who can help.

Early interventions can only serve to enhance our already robust systems and processes in relation to the protection and wellbeing of our children and young people in North Ayrshire.”

As a supplementary question, Councillor Marshall referred to a recent newspaper poll which indicated objections to the named person scheme as an intrusion into family life, and asked who was ultimately responsible for children: parents themselves or a state-appointed guardian?

Councillor Bruce responded by referring to the Court of Session ruling of a panel of three judges, that the mere creation of a named person did not confuse or diminish the legal role, duties and responsibilities of parents and had no effect on the legal, moral or social relationships within the family.

(e) a question by Councillor Hunter to the Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate Support and Welfare Reform in the following terms:-

"The Scottish Mail on Sunday, January 31st, 2016, carried an article on the use of so-called 'procurement cards' or 'corporate credit cards' by Scottish Local Authorities. Figures obtained under Freedom of Information legislation reveal that £54,855,297 was spent on procurement or credit cards during the financial year 2014-15.

In total, 23 of Scotland's 32 councils provided responses. The investigation goes on to highlight some of the purchases made by those councils with the cards. It should be noted that the majority of purchases were claimed to be justified though there were many instances of spending on what would appear to be questionable items, particularly food, drink, entertainment and travel.

In the case of North Ayrshire the article stated the following:-

'North Ayrshire Council splashed out £4,439 on Coca Cola and £500 on frozen yoghurt. Money was also lavished on the luxury Hawksmoor restaurant in London, the Ritz Hotel in Edinburgh and flights to Dubronovik.' (apparently an alternative spelling for Dubrovnik)

Will the Cabinet member for finance explain to members what the justification for these purchases was, and how much was spent in the Hawksmoor, the Ritz, on flights and by whom in each case?

In addition will the Cabinet member for Finance undertake to provide members with a full list of purchases paid for by 'procurement/credit cards' for 2014-15, the cost of each purchase, who incurred the cost and who actually sanctions or has oversight of these purchases?"

Councillor Maguire thanked the Member for his question and responded in the following terms:-

"Information on specific purchases is as follows:-

- The expenditure with Coca Cola Enterprises was on items purchased for resale at various venues e.g. Tournament Cafe at Eglinton Park
- The Frozen Yoghurt referenced was actually dry yoghurt powder that is then made into yoghurt; this is a healthy eating option at Greenwood Academy
- £158 was spent on accommodation for 2 Council employees at the Ritz Hotel in Edinburgh, both employees were attending a training event
- £406 was spent on the flight to Dubrovnik by a Primary School Head Teacher participating in an exchange programme
- Analysis of the data did not identify any spend against "Hawksmoor", there is spend against Hawksmere Ltd in London, this was for £118 to cover the delegate rate at a conference.

Procurement cards were introduced to reduce the cost and increase the efficiency of processing high volumes of low value invoices. The governance around this is no different from items procured through more traditional means with orders being raised, approved and monitored in a similar way.

A full list of all procurement card transactions for 2014/15 is available. There are more than 13,700 lines of data, however information summarised by expenditure type within services may be more helpful than by procurement card holder and authorised signatory. Any disclosure would require to comply with the data protection act."

Councillor Hunter then directed a supplementary question to the Cabinet Member for Place on the use of a bird of prey at the Council's landfill sites.

The Provost ruled that the supplementary question was not competent in that it did not relate to the original question on procurement cards.

- (f) a question by Councillor McNicol to the Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate Support and Welfare Reform in the following terms:-

When the nine year Council Tax freeze comes to an end in 2017, it is proposed to raise bills for people in homes in Bands E to H by up to three per cent. Will the Policy Holder for Finance, Corporate Support and Housing inform Members of the number of households in North Ayrshire that this increase will effect, and what is the estimated increase in revenue that will be generated due to the increase? (It would be helpful in the figures were provided for each Band)"

Councillor Maguire thanked the Member for his question and referred to the following written response:-

"The Scottish Government's proposal is to increase the council tax band multipliers for the 13,850 properties in bands E to H not increase Council Tax in Valuation Bands E to H by 3%. The impact of the proposal is as follows:

Valuation Band	Current multiplier relative to Band D	Proposed multiplier relative to Band D	Number of properties affected	Additional Gross Income
E	1.22	1.31	8,826	£926,730
F	1.44	1.63	3,805	£791,440
G	1.67	1.96	1,161	£390,096
H	2.00	2.45	58	£30,044

Adjusting for anticipated eligibility for Council Tax Reduction this will generate an additional estimated net £1.9m in Council Tax in North Ayrshire. Nationally it is anticipated that the change will generate an additional net £100m in Council Tax income; no details have yet been provided on how the proposed change will be reflected in the local government settlement.

Targeted relief will be offered to low income households in Band E – H properties.

A further element of the proposal is that from 1 April 2017 all Scottish Councils may increase council tax up to a maximum 3%, if applied this may impact on all dwellings in North Ayrshire."

As a supplementary question, Councillor McNicol asked the Cabinet Member whether she considered the changes to be fair, what mechanism was in place to ensure the estimated £100m raised across Scotland was spent on schools, what amount of extra revenue would be invested in North Ayrshire schools, when the money would be invested and whether she agreed that the sooner the funds were invested, the better.

Councillor Maguire responded by advising that she considered the reforms to be fair and, whilst she did not have details of the exact mechanism for spending on schools, could confirm that the additional revenue generated would be ringfenced for that purpose and always welcomed investment in education.

- (g) a question by Councillor McNicol to the Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate Support and Welfare Reform in the following terms:-

Will the Policy Holder for Finance, Corporate Support and Housing provide to Members a detailed list of all monies spent by Elected Members on Training, Advertising, Conference Fees, and Catering in the year 2015 until present? (It would be helpful if figures could be provided separately for each of these categories of expenditure)"

Councillor Maguire thanked the Member for his question and referred to the following written response:-

"A summary of the information requested is provided below.

Advertising	£3,025	Surgeries and notices re review of Community Councils
Catering	£1,786	2 neighbourhood planning workshops / miscellaneous catering expenditure
Conferences	£3,063	8 members attendance at events
Training	£ 612	Appeals training

- (h) a question by Councillor McNicol to the Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

On Saturday 19th March I attended a concert at Dalry Primary School where it was announced that North Ayrshire Council's Intermediate School Concert Band had been awarded the Gold Medal at the Scottish Championship held in Perth.

Will the Portfolio Holder for Education, Attainment and Achievement join with me in congratulating the Intermediate Concert Band of their success at the Scottish Championships and will he pass on the Council's best wishes to its Senior Concert Band at the forthcoming national final in Manchester this April?"

Councillor Bruce thanked the Member for his question and referred to the following written response:-

"I would join Cllr McNicol in congratulating the Intermediate concert band on their success at the Scottish championship and wishes the Senior concert band good luck in their forthcoming national final.

It is testament to the hard work of the team within the music service, led by Mae Murray, and to the skills and talents of all the young people participating, that North Ayrshire has achieved such great success. Just a few of the highlights from this session

**North Ayrshire Music Service
School Session 2015 -16**

Achievement Highlights

Primary Singing Project (YMI Project)

A large scale primary singing project Ocean Commotion has been delivered in two of the clusters Largs and Arran this session. Ocean Commotion will be rolled out to other clusters before the summer break. The musical highlights environmental issues.

In the Largs Academy cluster two hundred and sixteen pupils from Brisbane, Cumbrae, Fairlie, Kelburn St Mary's and Skelmorlie received singing workshops from a visiting music specialist. The pupils came together for the performance in Largs Academy on 17 November 2015 which was very well received by a packed audience.

One hundred and twenty pupils from Brodick, Corrie, Lamlash, Pirnmill, Shiskine and Whiting Bay primaries came together in Arran High School on 26 November 2015 for their performance of Ocean Commotion.

Tradfest Weekend (YMI Project)

The traditional music weekend Tradfest took place on 27 & 28 February 2016 in Auchenharvie Academy. The event is open to all P5 – P7 pupil and is a free event. Fifty one pupils attended the weekend and received taster workshops in fiddle, pipe band drumming, tin whistle, singing, ukulele and arts and crafts. The weekend is led by a team of Traditional Music specialists and proved to be a great success.

Music Therapy Workshops (YMI Project)

A visiting Music Therapist has been working in Haysholm and James McFarlane schools to deliver music therapy workshops. A range of specialist musical instruments have been purchased to assist pupils in the workshops. The Therapist is delivering CPD sessions with the staff to allow them to carry on with the sessions leaving a lasting legacy for the schools.

Telemann Ensemble

The North Ayrshire Schools' Senior Orchestra worked with professional musicians the Telemann Ensemble that specialise in Baroque music. The orchestra performed with the Telemann Ensemble at a beautiful concert in Mansefield Trinity Church on Sunday 8 November 2015.

National Concert Band Festival (NCBF)

The North Ayrshire Schools' Senior Concert won a Platinum Award at the regional heats of the NCBF in Edinburgh on Sunday 1 November 2015. Bands who win a Platinum Award are invited to compete in the national competition that takes place in the Northern College of Music in Manchester on Sunday 10 April 2016. The Senior Concert Band rehearses at weekends and has 39 members from across the secondary schools.

Scottish Concert Band Festival (SCBF)

The newly formed North Ayrshire Schools' Intermediate Concert Band won a Silver Plus award at the SCBF in Edinburgh on Saturday 5 December 2015. The band was invited to compete in the national competition in Perth Concert Hall on Saturday 19 March 2016 where they won a Gold Award which is a fantastic achievement for such a young band. The Intermediate Band has 32 members from across the secondary schools. Pupils are encouraged to join the band once they have reached the required level of playing.

Scottish Association of Music Education (SAME) Conference

The Senior Concert Band were invited to perform at the SAME conference in Stirling University on 10 September 2015. Delegates from across Scotland attended the conference and the Concert Band was very well received.

Young Musician Competitions

Our series of young musician competitions are sponsored by the Rhona Reid Charitable Trust that supports excellence in music education. Each secondary school holds its own competition and the winners from each of the schools compete for the overall North Ayrshire title. The competitions are – Young Musician, Young Singer, Traditional Musician, Young Traditional Musician and Young Rock and Pop Musician.”

Pan Ayrshire String Day

On Monday 14 March 240 primary string players from North, South and East Ayrshire Council came together for the first Pan Ayrshire String Day. The young musicians had the opportunity to work with string specialist Karen Powell who led the day. All the string tutors from the three authorities co-ordinated the day. **Nicola Benedetti** came along and worked with the orchestra for 2½ hours spending time working on sectional rehearsals and hosting a lively question and answer section. The event finished with a sharing concert for parents and was a great success. The day was supported by the Ayrshire Music Festival.

Ayrshire Music Festival

This year's Ayrshire Music Festival was a great success and North Ayrshire had a very successful Festival. Highlights for the Music Service were –

Primary Shield – Junior Orchestra

Distinction – Senior Orchestra

Elizabeth McNair Trophy - Adam Lee, Greenwood Academy (Concert Band Member)

Woodwind Open Class – Adam Lee as above

Instrumental Recital Class – Adam Lee as above

Commended – NAC Workplace Choir

Sandy Lyle Trophy – Jessica Thorpe, Greenwood Academy (Senior Orchestra Member)

Baroque and Romantic Violin – Jessica Thorpe as above

There were many more individuals who won their classes at the Festival.

Primary Residentials

Two music residentials are planned for primary pupils this session. A Primary Wind Band residential will take place from 24 – 27 May 2016 and fifty pupils have signed up to attend. A Primary String residential will take place from 31 May – 3 June 2016 and seventy one pupils have signed up to attend. The pupils will work with a team of Instrumental Instructors and have an intense week of music workshops. Working within a band/orchestra setting will develop musicianship skills and enhance pupils playing skills. The residentials take place in Gartmore House, Stirling.

Workplace Choir

The Workplace Choir was introduced in March 2015 to offer staff members the opportunity to sing in a choir without any previous experience. No audition was required and there is now a core membership of 30 from across different sections of the Council. The Choir recently took part in the Ayrshire Music Festival coming second place and receiving a commended award from the adjudicator.

Royal Highland Show

The Music Service has been asked to provide the musicians for this year's Royal Highland Show in Ingliston, Edinburgh in June 2016. The Senior Concert Band, Senior Orchestra and Pipe Band will perform at this event.

Development of Music Leaders Scotland Awards

North Ayrshire is leading the way in developing and piloting the new Music Leaders Scotland Award. This is an award that will be delivered by the Music Service and will be validated by the RCS."

As a supplementary question, Councillor McNicol asked the Cabinet Member to explain why pupils attending the awards festival and representing North Ayrshire Council had to pay for their accommodation and food, especially when, over the past year, officers have spent approximately £75,000 attending awards ceremonies representing North Ayrshire in different parts of the country at no cost to themselves.

Councillor Bruce responded by advising that he would provide a considered response to Councillor McNicol at a later date.

- (i) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Education Attainment and Achievement in the following terms:-

"Noting that First Minister Nicola Sturgeon has decided to attack the middle classes who choose to live in bigger houses by imposing what is effectively a bedroom tax on the owners of houses in Council Tax Band E ,F ,G and H to fund an extra £100m spend on Education and that last June North Ayrshire Council received ca. £2m from Scottish Attainment Challenge Fund, can you please list by name and value the projects on which this £2m has been spent, how the increase in attainment will be measured and what measure represents success?"

Councillor Bruce thanked the Member for his question and responded in the following terms:-

“The Attainment Challenge for North Ayrshire has been agreed by Government and focusses on five main workstreams. These are:-

- Professional Learning Academy
- Nurture
- Assessment and Data Analysis
- Community & Parental Engagement
- Physical Activity (Drama, Dance and Sport)

The first three workstreams have been implemented at least in part. The final two workstreams are intended to begin in Year Two of the Attainment Challenge. A number of challenges, most notably the recruitment of teachers, have impacted on the pace of progress to date. Conversations around these challenges continually take place with Government.

To date, the following monies have been spent and are currently being downloaded to North Ayrshire from the Government.

Professional Learning Academy	£196,268
Nurture	£309,692
Assessment & Data Analysis	<u>£129,570</u>
	<u>£635,530</u>

Year Two plans are due to be submitted to the Government by 1 April 2016.

Overall attainment is measured when a young person leaves school. As the Attainment Challenge is focussed on primary aged children, the impact in terms of this overall attainment will be a long term measure.

However, as part of the workstream “Assessment and Data Analysis” we have introduced Standardised Assessment which will complement teacher professional judgement in the assessment of CfE levels. We have conducted initial benchmarking for Primary 1 and are in the process of carrying out similar assessments for other stages. Following the approach of Scottish Government, we will monitor and annually report on achievement of CfE levels across several year stages. The progress of individual groups of learners (e.g. the most deprived) will be a particular focus and will help us to evaluate the impact of our Attainment Challenge work. In addition, it will also support the Professional Learning Academy’s programme of professional development of our teachers.

Attainment and achievement of children and young people is measured in a number of ways. The vision for our Attainment Challenge is excellence and equity. That is, we want to raise attainment for all children and young people while closing the gap in performance between those that are most and least deprived. The data we gather will measure this vision.”

As a supplementary question, Councillor Marshall asked whether, rather than a broad brush approach, it would be better to target funding to focus on schools in poorer areas, empowering their Head Teachers with the freedom and funds to effect change.

Councillor Bruce responding by expressing the view that this was already being done.

- (j) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Economy and Employment in the following terms:-

"At the successful Team North Ayrshire Conference held on Friday 4 March, John Swinney, Deputy First Minister was asked, to an accompanying round of applause, but failed to answer, the question posed by an Engineering Company as to what was the future of the Hunterston site and in particular the Nuclear Station there (employing 520 EDF and 250 Contract persons as well as twice that number of associated suppliers) given the SNP Policy on Nuclear Power generation .

What answer would the Portfolio holder give to that question to reassure business that depend on Hunterston?"

Councillor Burns thanked the Member for his question, clarified that the question from the Engineering Company had been about encouraging diversity, and referred to the following written response:-

"North Ayrshire Councils response is two-fold:-

- Support to engineering sector to diversify
- Support to develop a long term future for the Hunterston site

Support to engineering sector to diversify

- Engineering and Manufacturing are key to North Ayrshires development and recent work by Ekos with our Strategic Businesses (GSK, DSM, Chemring, Howco, Booth Welsh, Ardagh, Merck, UPM) highlighted the importance of our strategic business group in terms of impact locally whilst also identified challenges and opportunities for the sector. We continue to work with our strategic business group on areas of supply chain, skills and place promotion and this will help shape how we support the sector locally.
- In North Ayrshire we have also helped support the development of the Ayrshire Engineering Alliance (AEA) move from a public sector led initiative towards an industry led group. The group's board will now consist of key North Ayrshire businesses including GSK, Burnhouse Engineering and Ampcontrol. This group will help identify the interventions needed to grow the engineering base in Ayrshire. The AEA will be supported by SMAS, CEED, College and LAs.

- In North Ayrshire we have supported SMAS Lean Learning Academy where a number of local businesses engaged on this new initiative which has proven successful.
- NAC have also realigned resources and are looking to develop our innovation offer, originating from a recent pilot with Scottish Enterprise. This will specifically identify resources to help businesses innovate and will prove vital for engineering firms looking to access new markets or diversify. (this proposal will look to go to cabinet 29th April). In addition we are in early discussions with UWS on a capability study of the engineering / manufacturing base in North Ayrshire to further understand potential opportunities for the base.

Support to develop a long term future for the Hunterston site

In promoting the potential for new uses to bring employment to the site the following areas of work are being developed:

- Work with Peel Ports, Scottish Development International, Scottish Enterprise and Transport Scotland to explore options for the site.
- Magnox recently consulted on its future strategy for the distribution of NDA funding and our response to this sought high priority status for the Hunterston site which would lead to improved prospects of funding being provided.
- The first meeting of a Hunterston Economic Group was held in 2015 to discuss our approach to NDA funding and how this would be allocated.
- A prospectus for an Ayrshire Growth Deal was recently agreed by Cabinet and submitted to the Scottish and UK Governments. Should any proposals for Hunterston be in a position to demonstrate how investment in infrastructure or skills can demonstrate a significant economic return, then it is envisaged that this could form part of any Growth Deal.
- When the Scottish Government revises the NPF and consults on the content of National Development Status within NPF4, the potential for this National Development status to be restored will be considered with Members and landowners. National Development status brings Parliamentary approval for the principle of development, and may assist with marketing of the site and securing employment uses."

As a supplementary question, Councillor Marshall asked how it would be possible to grow the economy in North Ayrshire following the loss of up to 2,000 high quality jobs associated with Hunterston.

Councillor Burns referred to wider issues surrounding nuclear energy provision elsewhere in the UK, asserting that, regardless of the Scottish Government's policy on nuclear energy, North Ayrshire would still need to help local companies diversify and diversification should, in any case, be part of the Council's economic growth strategy for the area.

(k) a question by Councillor Marshall to the Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate Support and Welfare Reform in the following terms:-

"During the current Administration how many persons who have been employed by or provided services to the Council have had their salaries paid either gross , "off the books", through a personal service company or who are not effectively on the payroll?"

Councillor Maguire thanked the Member for his question and referred to the following written response:-

"The table below summarises the number of and cost of agency staff since financial year 2012/13. The number of staff does not represent full time equivalents but the number of staff employed, durations of employment will vary.

Directorate	Fiscal Year				Staff Numbers			
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2013	2014	2015	2016
D&A	£ 39,077	£ 61,985	£ 68,757	£ 13,508	2	1	4	1
E&C			£ 187,987		-	-	2	-
FACS	£ -	£ 17,521	£ 140,088	£ 162,523	-	5	4	8
HSCP	£ 75,073	£ 163,444	£ 248,030	£ 97,147	3	5	8	4
Place	£ 421,708	£ 563,460	£ 322,297	£ 322,114	21	95	66	36
Grand Total	£ 535,858	£ 806,409	£ 967,161	£ 595,292	26	106	84	49

The use of agency staff can be for a number of reasons;

- the need for flexibility in managing workloads in areas where demand is variable
- short term specialist roles often aligned to specific projects
- areas where gaps in service are not desirable or exposes the organisation to risk
- short term resources pending service redesign

Relative to the total payroll bill expenditure on agency staff is modest, in 2014/15 this was less than 0.5%. Agency staff are used by services only where it is essential and is usually time limited."

As a supplementary question, Councillor Marshall asked if the Council's website could be updated to provide up-to-date information on the use of consultants/agency staff.

Councillor Maguire confirmed that she would arrange for the website to be updated.

8. Locality Partnerships

Submitted report by the Chief Executive which sought approval for changes required to implement Locality Partnerships within North Ayrshire. A copy of the proposed Terms of Reference for Locality Partnerships was circulated at the meeting.

At its meeting on 15 March 2016, the Cabinet agreed proposals to implement Locality Planning in North Ayrshire, including the creation of six Locality Partnerships, for Irvine, Kilwinning, the Three Towns, Arran, North Coast and Garnock Valley. North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership Board also approved this at its meeting on 24 March 2016.

The implementation of Locality Planning would, as outlined in the report, require an amendment to the Council's Scheme of Administration and Scheme of Delegation to Officers, the appointment of Chairs of the six Locality Partnerships and the adoption of Locality Planning arrangements as the North Ayrshire Scheme of Decentralisation.

The Provost agreed to consider the recommendations contained in the report in the first instance, prior to determining the appointment of Locality Partnership Chairs.

The Provost agreed to consider the recommendations, except recommendation 6, contained in the report in the first instance, prior to determining the appointment of Locality Partnership Chairs at Section 3.4.

Members asked questions, and received clarification, on the following:-

- the proposed arrangements for the disbursement of grant awards in the event of a lack of consensus at a Locality Partnership meeting;
- the impression given at briefings that the final decision on grant awards would lie with Elected Members;
- the status of Locality Partnerships given that they would not form part of the Council's Scheme of Administration;
- the position of Members as Trustees of Common Good Funds; and
- the anticipation that Locality Partnerships will mainly operate on a consensus basis.

The Council then adjourned for a short recess at 3.30 p.m., reconvening at 3.45 p.m. with the same Members present.

The Chief Executive proposed the following amendments to the recommendations contained within the report, to address the issues which had been highlighted by Members:-

- (i) at Section 3.2 of the report, the recommended additional provisions within the Council's Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be prefaced with the phrase "In accordance with the recommendations of the Locality Partnership made by consensus, or which failing, by the Elected Member or Members on the Locality Partnership in question"; and
- (ii) the section of "Voting" within the proposed Locality Partnership Terms of Reference set out at Appendix 1 to the report should be amended to read "As more particularly detailed in the Standing Orders of the Locality Partnership, every effort shall be made by Members to ensure that as many decisions as possible are made by consensus. In the event that such consensus is not possible, then only the Member or Members representing the body whose function is to be exercised (e.g. the Council) shall be entitled to vote.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Hill, moved that the Council approve the recommendations set out in the report, as revised above.

As an amendment, Councillor McNicol, seconded by Councillor Hunter, moved that the Council approve the recommendations set out in the report, as revised, subject to the removal of the reference to "consensus" within (i) above.

Members then debated the motion and amendment.

On a division, there voted for the amendment 5 and for the motion 22, and the motion was declared carried.

Thereafter, the Provost invited nominations for the position of Chair of each of the six Locality Partnerships.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Maguire, moved that Councillor Bruce be appointed as Chair of the Arran Locality Partnership. There being no amendment, Councillor Bruce was duly appointed.

Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, moved that Councillor McNamara be appointed as Chair of the Three Towns Locality Partnership. There being no amendment, Councillor McNamara was duly appointed.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Maguire, moved that Councillor Burns be appointed as Chair of the Irvine Locality Partnership. As an amendment, Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, moved that Councillor Easdale be appointed. On a division, there voted for the amendment 11 and for the motion 13, and the motion was declared carried, Councillor Burns being duly appointed.

Councillor Barr, seconded by Councillor Marshall, moved that Councillor Steel be appointed as Chair of the Kilwinning Locality Partnership. As an amendment, Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, moved that Councillor Reid be appointed. On a division, there voted for the amendment 9 and for the motion 18, and the motion was declared carried, Councillor Steel being duly appointed.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Maguire, moved that Councillor Hill be appointed as Chair of the North Coast Locality Partnership. As an amendment, Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, moved that Councillor Gallagher be appointed. On a division, there voted for the amendment 11 and for the motion 13, and the motion was declared carried, Councillor Hill being duly appointed.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Maguire, moved that Councillor McMillan be appointed as Chair of the Garnock Valley Locality Partnership. As an amendment, Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, moved that Councillor Bell be appointed. On a division, there voted for the amendment 12 and for the motion 15, and the motion was declared carried, Councillor McMillan being duly appointed.

Accordingly, the Council agreed (a) to approve the changes to the Scheme of Administration set out in Section 3.1 of the report; (b) to approve the changes to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers set out in Section 3.2, subject to the amendment set out at (i) above; (c) to endorse the Locality Partnership Terms of Reference contained in Appendix 1 to the report, subject to the amendment set out at (ii) above; (d) that in the interim period prior to the first meeting of Locality Partnerships, the Executive Director of Economy and Communities is granted delegated powers to determine grant applications in consultation with local Members; (e) to invite any Member not intending to take up a place on a Locality Partnership to advise Committee Services of this as soon as possible; (f) to adopt the Locality Partnership arrangements as the North Ayrshire Scheme of Decentralisation in terms of Section 23 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994; and (g) the appointment of Councillors McNamara, Bruce, Burns, Steel, Hill and McMillan as Chair of the Three Towns, Arran, Irvine, Kilwinning, North Coast and Garnock Valley Locality Partnerships, respectively.

9. Motions

- (a) a Motion by Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor Gallagher in the following terms:-

"At its budget setting meeting last month the Council unanimously agreed an amendment which retained public toilets in Saltcoats, Ardrossan and Largs.

From 2017/18, this would leave a number of towns without the provision of public toilets. It would also leave Irvine Beach Park with none.

The Council acknowledges that, having unanimously approved the amendment, further consideration should have been given to the impact of public toilet closures on all local towns, particularly at Irvine Beach Park which is widely used by the community. The Council therefore agrees to instruct officers to prepare a report for Cabinet in September which would seek to maintain some toilet provision in each town and at Irvine Beach Park."

As an amendment, Councillor Gurney, seconded by Councillor Bruce, moved as follows:-

"At is budget setting meeting last month the Council unanimously agreed to close all stand alone public conveniences.

Council recognises the work undertaken by [Elected Members] JH, RM, TM and RS in tabling amendments during that budget process that, with the clear support of all other Members, retained stand alone public toilets in Saltcoats, Ardrossan and Largs.

Council also congratulates council officers, the Leader of the Council and Irvine Members RM, MB and MB in engaging so swiftly with the third sector to ensure provision is retained at Irvine beach park through partnership work with Coastwatch and recognises the work continuing in other parts of North Ayrshire to effect similar arrangements.

Council also recognises the changing nature of public toilet provision including the policy change that North Ayrshire public buildings will, where suitable, make their toilet provision available to members of the public.

Taking these measures into account Council agrees to instruct officers to prepare a report for Cabinet in September [2016] to provide an up to date situation report on public toilet provision throughout North Ayrshire."

Members then asked questions and debated the motion and amendment.

Councillor Gurney agreed to remove from his amendment the reference to individual Elected Members.

Councillor Cullinane agreed to accept the terms of the amendment, as revised. There being no further amendment, the amendment was declared carried.

(b) a Motion by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Highgate in the following terms:-

"In May 2013 Cabinet agreed, without any apparent consultation, that as existing cemeteries reach capacity, future burial space be provided on a locality basis. The report states ten of the eighteen cemeteries in North Ayrshire will reach capacity within the next 10 years. In particular, Kilbirnie cemetery soon will have no space for new plots. Kilbirnie burials will then be diverted to cemeteries in Dalry and Beith. In due course, one of these cemeteries would also close. The towns in the Garnock valley are separate communities and residents deserve to be buried in their home town. Cabinet's decision affects residents, churches and funeral directors, none of whom were apparently consulted. In the absence of such consultation, I therefore move that officers prepare a report to the first Cabinet after the summer recess on (a) the options and costs of providing new or extended cemetery provision in Kilbirnie, and (b) options for meaningful consultation prior to any change in the provision of community facilities".

As an amendment, Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Hill, moved as follows:-

"In May 2013 the Cabinet agreed that as existing cemeteries reach capacity, future burial space be provided on a Locality basis.

The report to Cabinet stated that 10 of the 18 cemeteries in North Ayrshire will reach capacity within the next 10 years.

This report was agreed and was not called to the Scrutiny and Petitions Committee which indicated no disagreement with the decisions taken.

Given recent questions from the community in Kilbirnie and the willingness of the Administration to further consult on the May 2013 decision, I move that Officers prepare a report to the Cabinet following the Summer recess on options and costs involved in providing new or extended cemetery provision in North Ayrshire and that in so doing they commit to meaningful consultation prior to any change."

Members then asked questions and debated the motion and amendment.

Councillor Bell agreed to accept the terms of the amendment, on the understanding that some urgency was required in respect of Kilbirnie. Councillor Gibson confirmed this was understood. There being no further amendment, the amendment was declared carried.

Councillor Marshall left the meeting at this point.

(c) a Motion by Councillor Maguire, seconded by Councillor McMillan in the following terms:-

Council believes that schools in North Ayrshire must provide inclusive, high quality sex and relationships education for all our children and young people. With children aware of sex and relationships at increasingly early ages it is more important than ever to promote progressive and inclusive education with appropriate information about issues such as sexual health, trust in relationships and consent.

Council notes that despite the strides made in Scotland for equality that there is still a deeply concerning presence of homophobia and transphobia in our society and as such welcomes the contribution of the Time for Inclusive Education (TIE) campaign in raising awareness around these issues and further instructs officers to report back on how our LGBTI young people are currently experiencing school and what steps will be taken to improve sex and relationship education in North Ayrshire."

As an amendment, Councillor Steel, seconded by Councillor Hunter, moved that no additional action was required given that the issues raised by the motion were already addressed within the Children's Services Plan 2016-20.

Members then asked questions and debated the motion and amendment.

Councillor Maguire agreed to amend her motion to change the references to "sex and relationship education" to read "relationship and sex education."

Councillor Steel agreed to accept the terms of the motion. There being no further amendment, the motion was declared carried.

The Meeting ended at 4.50 p.m.

North Ayrshire Council
30 March 2016

IRVINE, 30 March 2016 - At a Special Meeting of North Ayrshire Council at 5.00 p.m.

Present

Joan Sturgeon, Robert Barr, John Bell, Matthew Brown, John Bruce, Marie Burns, Ian Clarkson, Joe Cullinane, Anthea Dickson, John Easdale, Alex Gallagher, Willie Gibson, Tony Gurney, Alan Hill, John Hunter, Ruth Maguire, Grace McLean, Catherine McMillan, Peter McNamara, Ronnie McNicol, Alan Munro, David O'Neill, Donald Reid and Robert Steel.

In Attendance

E. Murray, Chief Executive; L. Friel, Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support); C. Hatton, Executive Director (Place); K. Yeomans, Executive Director (Economy and Communities); A. Fraser, Head of Democratic Support; C. Andrew, Senior Manager (Legal Services); M. Gilmour, Senior Communications Officer (Media and Internal Communications) and M. Anderson, Committee Services Team Leader (Chief Executive's Service).

Chair

Provost Sturgeon in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

John Ferguson, Jean Highgate, Tom Marshall, Elizabeth McLardy and Jim Montgomerie.

Having concluded its Ordinary Meeting at 4.50 p.m., the Special Meeting of the Council adjourned for a short recess, reconvening at 5.00 p.m. with the same Members and Officers present and in attendance.

1. Apologies for Absence

The Provost invited intimation of apologies for absence, which were recorded.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in terms of Standing Order 10 and Section 5 of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

There were no declarations of the Party Whip.

3. Community Council Scheme

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the outcome of the third and final period of public consultation on the current review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils.

The review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils has comprised three consultation periods. During the initial consultation period, consultation responses were invited on any aspect of the current Scheme. The second period of consultation saw a number of proposed amendments taken forward for further consultation. Following the second consultation period, the Council formally approved a number of uncontested amendments to the Scheme and agreed a third and final consultation period for two proposals which had received a 'mixed' response.

The Council was invited to consider the outcome of the third and final consultation period on the review of the Community Council Scheme which ended on 25 March 2016, as summarised at Appendix 1, and formally adopt the revised Scheme set out at Appendix 2 to the report.

The Chief Executive advised of two minor corrections to Appendix 2 to the report, to change the reference to "one year" at section 7(i) of the proposed Scheme to "two years" and to add the phrase ""in consultation with the community council" to the end of 10(vi). A copy of the revised pages was circulated at the meeting.

Members asked questions, and received further information, on the following:-

- the extent to which the role of Irvine community associations was similar to that of a community council;
- whether a proposed change of name for Girdle Toll Community Council could be considered at this stage in the consultation process; and
- the contact information used to consult with community associations and residents groups in areas without an active community council.

Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Burns, moved that the Council approve the recommendations set out in the report, subject to the above-mentioned corrections to Appendix 2. There being no amendment, the motion was declared carried.

Accordingly, the Council agreed (a) to note the outcome of the third period of public consultation on the review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils, as summarised in Appendix 1 to the report; (b) on the basis of the consultation responses received, (i) to approve the retention of four community councils in the wider Irvine area (namely Irvine, Dreghorn, Girdle Toll and Springside Community Councils) and (ii) to include in the Scheme a provision to allow the option of postal and/or electronic voting at community council elections in the future; (c) approve the publication of the revised Community Council Scheme set out at Appendix 2 to the report, incorporating the changes agreed by the Council at its special meeting on 17 February 2016, the further changes arising from (b) above and the corrections to sections 7(i) and 10(vi) mentioned above; and (d) that officers commence arrangements to hold community council elections under the new Scheme.

The Meeting ended at 5.15 p.m.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 7

15 June 2016

North Ayrshire Council

Title: **North Ayrshire Council Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board: Minutes of meetings held on 24 March 2016 and 2 June 2016**

Purpose: To submit the minutes of the meeting of the North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership Board held on 24 March 2016 and 2 June 2016

Recommendation: That the Council notes the Minutes contained in Appendix 1

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 It was previously agreed that the minutes of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board be submitted to North Ayrshire Council for information. The key matters arising from the minutes have been highlighted for the attention of the Committee and are detailed in paragraph 2.1.

2. Background

- 2.1 Minutes of the meeting of the CPP Board held on 24 March 2016 are appended. Particular matters for the Council's attention include the following:

Agenda Item 1

The Board commended the Inequality Strategy and agreed the establishment of a Fair For All Board to focus on achieving the pledges in the strategy.

Agenda Item 5

The Board noted the development of the Financial Inclusion Strategy and the Big Lottery Fund submission.

Agenda Item 6a

Marjorie Adams presented the new Children's Services Plan 2016-20. The Board were advised that young people had been highly involved in the plan's development. The Board approved the strategy.

Agenda Item 6b

The Board agreed the proposals put forward on the governance arrangements of the Children's Services Change Projects.

Agenda Item 7

The Board noted progress on the Future Model for Community Justice. Morna Rae highlighted three areas: Involvement in a self evaluation exercise building stronger relationships between the Third Sector and the CPP; proposed governance arrangements in relationship to the CPP; and the use of transition funding to develop integrated pathways.

Agenda Item 8

Elma Murray briefed the Board on Locality Partnerships. The Board noted that the representation of Elected Members on the CPP Board would reflect the Chairs of the Locality Partnerships. Partners outlined their planned alignment to the Locality Partnerships. The Board agreed the six localities to be designated under S9 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

Agenda Item 9

The Board noted the findings of the People's Panel Survey and agreed the next steps.

Agenda Item 10

The Board approved the more popular design chosen in public consultation. The Board noted progress on the consultation portal and agreed the development of a new CPP logo.

Agenda Item 11

Morna Rae updated the Board on the purpose and usefulness of the CPP Outcomes Profile that has been developed. The Board agreed that the profile is taken into account when developing the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.

- 2.2 Minutes of the meeting of the CPP Board held on 2 June 2016 are also appended. Particular matters for the Council's attention include the following:

Agenda Item 4

Morna Rae provided an update on Locality Partnerships and it was agreed that the Chair of the Integrated Joint Board should sit on the CPP Board.

Agenda Item 5

A presentation on Mind and Be Active was provided. This is an programme which aims to improve the mental health and wellbeing of individuals by providing support to increase levels of physical activity.

Agenda Item 6

The Board approved the Joint Child Health and Wellbeing Statement, Ayrshire and Arran 2015-2019 which was presented by Lynne McNiven.

Agenda Item 7

Greig Robson gave an update on the work of the Welfare Reform Working Group and the Board approved the Action Plan.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 That the Council notes the minutes contained in Appendix 1

4. Implications

Financial:	There are no financial implications arising from this report
Human Resources:	There are no human resource implications arising from this report
Legal:	There are no legal implications arising from this report
Equality:	There are no equality implications arising from this report
Environmental & Sustainability:	There are no environmental implications arising from this report
Key Priorities:	The CPP activities detailed within this report support the Single Outcome Agreement
Community Benefits:	There are no community benefit implications arising from this report

5. Consultation

- 5.1 No consultations were required



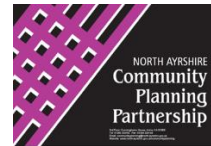
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Chief Executive

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Background Papers

None



North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership

CPP Board

Minutes of Meeting Held on 24 March 2016

Present

Ayrshire College

Heather Dunk, Principal

KA Leisure

Gary Higgon, Chair of Board

NHS Ayrshire and Arran

John Burns, Chief Executive

Martin Cheyne, Chairman **(Vice Chair)**

North Ayrshire Council

Willie Gibson **(Chair)**

Anthea Dickson

Alex Gallagher

Ruth Maguire

Robert Steel

Elma Murray, Chief Executive

Scottish Enterprise

Mark Newlands, Scottish Enterprise Location Director

Skills Development Scotland

Katie Hutton, Depute Director, National Training Programme

Scottish Fire and Rescue

Jim Scott, Area Manager

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport

Alan Comrie, Senior Transport Planner

Police Scotland

Gillian MacDonald, Divisional Commander

Chief Inspector Tim Ross

Third Sector Interference

Jim Nichols, Manager, Arran CVS

In Attendance

Iona Colvin (HSCP), Morna Rae (NAC), Jo Gibson (HSCP), Elaine Young (NHS Ayrshire and Arran), Marjorie Adams (HSCP), Margaret Davison (NAC), Greig Robson (NAC), John Butcher (NAC), David Cowan (Scottish Government)

Apologies for Absence

Andrew Fraser (NAC), Catriona Morton (DWP), Stephen Gallagher (Scottish Government)

Chair

Cllr William Gibson in the Chair

1. Inequality Strategy Workshop

Jo Gibson and Elaine Young provided a presentation to the Board on the draft Inequality Strategy for North Ayrshire CPP entitled “Fair for All”. The background to the development of the strategy was explained along with an overview of how we understand inequalities and different approaches to responding to inequalities. A stocktake of current and planned actions to address inequalities has been undertaken. This will allow us to assess the coherence of our work, consider what we need to do more of and what we could possibly stop doing as it is not supported by evidence.

It was proposed that a Fair for All Board be established for the CPP, responsible for progressing our inequalities pledges.

The Board commended the strategy and provided comment as follows:

- The Fair for All Board will need to consider and develop the improvement measures outlined in the strategy,
- There could be increased emphasis on how communities can support delivery of the strategy,
- Links should be made with the National Improvement Framework as a measure of the wellbeing of our communities,
- Locality Partnerships should provide a means of targeting inequalities more effectively at a local geographic level,
- It is essential that this approach is integrated throughout the work of the CPP,
- The strategy needs to balance being accessible and comprehensive and being short, sharp and focused. It was agreed that Katie Hutton would provide comment to Jo Gibson on any specific recommended additions.
- Gillian MacDonald was supportive of Police Scotland's involvement on the Fair for All Board and for using the Locality profiles as a method of measuring progress and impact, and
- John Burns sought clarification on the operation of the Fair for All Board and Jo Gibson agreed to provide more detailed proposals.

The CPP Board agreed the strategy, the establishment of the Fair for All Board and to receive updates on progress.

2. Welcome and Apologies

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.

Mark Newlands of Scottish Enterprise was welcomed to his first CP Board Meeting.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the CPP Board meeting of 3 December 2015 were approved.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

Updates were provided on the action note as follows:

- Elma Murray advised that there is no update available on the Boundary Commission Review at present,
- John Burns updated on discussions on opportunities for NHS Ayrshire and Arran linking into the Enterprise Area,

- Morna Rae advised that 'hold the date' emails for 1st September have already been issued and a programme for the day is being developed. Partners were invited to identify suitable alternative Board meeting venues, and
- Morna Rae will progress discussions with the SMT on the LOIP (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan) development and bring proposals back to the SMT.

5. Financial Inclusion Strategy

Greig Robson provided an update to the Board on progress with Big Lottery financial inclusion funding for North Ayrshire along with a Financial Inclusion Strategy.

Heather Dunk offered the support of Ayrshire College to the delivery of the Financial Inclusion Strategy especially in relation to the large number of students they engage with. The Board noted the development of the strategy and the Big Lottery funds submission.

6a. Children's Services Plan

Majorie Adams presented a report on the Children's Services Plan 2016-20. She outlined the consultation process used and specific engagement with children and young people. The plan has the vision "we want you to have the best start in life and for North Ayrshire to be the best place in Scotland to grow up".

John Butcher, in his capacity as Chair of the CSSP advised of the unique and innovative nature of the plan and extended his thanks to Majorie Adams and Stephen Brown for their key roles in developing the content and design of the strategy. He also noted the work of Greenwood Academy pupils in providing the cartoons for inclusion in the strategy. Anthea Dickson commented on the accessible language used.

Following questions Majorie Adams advised that young people were involved in developing the content and design of the strategy, and that there would be a process of future review to ensure that it continues to be relevant and useful.

The Board approved the strategy.

b. Children's Services Change Projects

Majorie Adams provided a report on the governance arrangements for Children's Services Change projects. The role and membership of the Children's and Young People Support Review Board was highlighted. The Board agreed the proposals.

7. The Future Model for Community Justice in Scotland

Morna Rae presented a report updating the Board on developments for Community Justice in North Ayrshire. This report built on previous information provided to the Board and gave information on the transition plan sent to the Scottish Government. Three areas were highlighted to the Board:

- Ayrshire involvement in a self-evaluation exercise with the aim of building stronger relationships between the CPP and Third Sector providers delivering locally,
- Proposed governance arrangements and links to CPPs, and
- Use of transition funding including Community Integration Pathways with HMP Kilmarnock and working with the University of Strathclyde in developing a comprehensive user engagement framework.

The Board noted progress and agreed to receive future updates.

8. Locality Partnerships in North Ayrshire

Elma Murray briefed the Board on Locality Planning. This included the consultation process and outcomes, along with proposed arrangements for the partnerships. It was highlighted that North Ayrshire Cabinet agreed a report on Locality Planning on 15th March and that similar proposals would be presented on 30th March to North Ayrshire Council.

The Board noted that Elected Member representation on the CP Board will be amended to reflect the Chairs of the Locality Partnerships.

Board members discussed the Kilwinning Participatory Budgeting event and the resources required to deliver on Locality Planning (this will be progressed through the SMT).

John Burns confirmed that NHS Ayrshire and Arran will be represented on Locality Partnerships by HSCP representatives.

Alex Gallagher raised the issue of how we will measure success of this approach. Elma Murray confirmed that we will review after a year.

Gillian MacDonald provided an update on Police alignment to localities and the new Community Policing model.

Iona Colvin summarised the fit between HSCP Locality arrangements and the wider CPP Locality Partnerships.

The Board agreed that the six localities are the North Ayrshire localities designated under s9 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and the locality planning arrangements detailed in the paper.

9. Peoples Panel

Morna Rae provided a report on the results of the Peoples Panel survey, highlighted a selection of the findings and briefed on the next steps. The Board agreed these.

10. CPP Website, Engagement and Consultation Portal and Logo

Morna Rae presented on the development of the CP website, its purpose and the partnership input to this process. The results of the consultation on the design of the

website were detailed and the Board approved the more popular design. The Board noted progress on the consultation portal and agreed the development of a new CPP logo.

Ruth Maguire sought confirmation that the website will be accessible for people who have a visual impairment. Information was provided on the six Facebook pages to be established and how these would be supported.

11. CPP Outcomes Profile Worksheet

Morna Rae provided a report on the workshop held with Colin Mair and Emily Lynch of the Improvement Service on the CPP Outcomes Profile. The purpose of the profile and its usefulness to the Board was highlighted. The Board agreed that the profile is taken into account when developing the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan, corresponding performance management arrangements and Locality Plans. It was also agreed that the “new role” of the CPP Board could be considered at the 1st September Development Day.

12. Chairs Reports

a. Safer North Ayrshire Partnership

Tim Ross reported on the work of SNAP and progress in relation to the CPP priority ‘a Safe and Secure North Ayrshire’.

b. Children’s Services Strategic Partnership

John Butcher spoke about the key areas of work for the CSSP and recent developments. The Board discussed corresponding target setting and our need to be aspirational.

Martin Cheyne commented on the high levels of positive destinations for young people and John Butcher detailed what supports this achievement.

Katie Hutton raised the value of all partners having a consistent approach and referring to and referencing the Children’s Panel Service Plan in their work with young people.

c. Health and Social Care Partnership

Anthea Dickson reported on key developments for the HSCP and the significant progress being made.

13. Urgent and Future Agenda Items

The next meeting of the CPP Board is 2nd June 2016 at 10.30am within the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House Irvine.



North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership

CPP Board

Minutes of Meeting Held on 2 June 2016

Present

Ayrshire College

Heather Dunk, Principal

KA Leisure

Gary Higgon, Chair of Board

NHS Ayrshire and Arran

John Burns, Chief Executive

Martin Cheyne, Chairman **(Vice Chair)**

Lynne McNiven, Consultant in Public Health

North Ayrshire Council

Cllr Willie Gibson **(Chair)**

Cllr Anthea Dickson

Cllr Robert Steel

Cllr Catherine McMillan

Cllr John Bruce

Cllr Alan Hill

Elma Murray, Chief Executive

Skills Development Scotland

Katie Hutton, Depute Director, National Training Programme

Scottish Fire and Rescue

Gibby Lamont, Depute Group Manager

DWP

Catriona Morton, Area Manager

Police Scotland

Linda Jones, Area Commander

Chief Inspector Tim Ross

Third Sector Interference

Jim Nichols, Manager, Arran CVS

In Attendance

Morna Rae (NAC), Stephen Brown (HSCP), Greig Robson (NAC), Linda Brough (NAC), Wendy Sharpe (NAC – **Minutes**)

Apologies for Absence

Andrew Fraser (NAC), Catriona Morton (DWP), Stephen Gallagher (Scottish Government), Allan Comrie (SPT), Marie Burns (NAC), Iona Colvin (HSCP), Peter McNamara (NAC), Jim Scott (SFRS), Gillian MacDonald (Police Scotland), John Butcher (NAC)

Chair

Cllr William Gibson in the Chair

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.

Councillor Alan Hill, Councillor Catherine McMillan, Councillor Bruce and Lynne McEwan of NHS Ayrshire and Arran were welcomed to their first CP Board Meeting.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the CPP Board meeting of 24 March 2016 were approved.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes

Updates were provided on the action note as follows:

- Inequality Strategy – Amendments and additions incorporated
- Inequality Strategy – Governance arrangements for Fair for All Board are being developed
- Locality Partnerships in North Ayrshire - Elected Member membership on Board changed

4. Update on Locality Partnerships

Morna Rae provided an update to the Board on progress with Locality Partnerships covering:

- The agreement of Recommendations by Cabinet, CPP Board and NAC
- Pre-Meetings and Locality Partnership Events
- Participatory Budgeting
- Links to the CPP Board
- Supporting Structures
- Local Outcomes Plan

The Board were asked to note the update outlined and agree the proposals that the Chair of the Integrated Joint Board sits on the CPP Board.

The Board agreed the proposals.

The Chair requested an overview of each Locality Partnership.

Councillor Hill reported that the Locality Partnership event in the North Coast had taken place on 11 May. There had been good attendance and the event was deemed a success. At the event a need for team building was highlighted. The Field Studies Council in Millport have offered their premises as a venue for this and a meeting is taking place next week to progress. A meeting has taken place with Partnership members and Community representatives have been appointed. The date for the Participatory Budgeting event in the North Coast has yet to be confirmed.

Councillor Steel advised that the Locality Partnership event for Kilwinning takes place tonight. There have been 5 nomination forms received for potential candidates to sit on the Partnership. The Participatory Budgeting event in Kilwinning was a huge success bringing the community together. Councillor Steel also advised that he sits on the HSCP Locality Forum and gave a brief update on their successes to date.

Councillor Bruce informed the Board that the Arran event takes place on 20 June. Meetings have begun with the Community Council and the Arran Economic Group advising of the role and purpose of the new Partnership. No Participatory Budgeting event has taken place in Arran to date.

Councillor McMillan provided an update on the Locality Partnership in the Garnock Valley. Their event had taken place and two interim community representatives had been appointed. Several nomination forms have been received for community representatives and a meeting will take place next week to appoint those.

As Councillor McNamara submitted his apologies, Councillor Gibson updated that the Three Towns event was due to take place on 8 June. The Participatory Budgeting event had already taken place and was a huge success.

Councillor Burns submitted her apologies. The Irvine event takes place on 15 June.

5. Mind and Be Active

Fiona Comrie and Laura Barrie of KA Leisure, Emma Broadhurst of the Scottish Government and Alex Johnstone of Spirit 2012 gave a presentation on Mind and Be Active.

Background information on physical activity levels across Scotland was provided along with the Active Scotland Outcomes. They outlined the Legacy 2014 Physical Activity Fund aims, i.e. to support CPP partners to scale up existing physical activity projects and carry out a process evaluation of the project. Information was given on the locally funded project: Mind and Be Active, which aims to improve the mental health and wellbeing of individuals by providing support to increase levels of physical activity. A short film illustrating its positive impact was shown. A related report, Active Communities Strategy, will be tabled at the next Strategic Management Team meeting.

Jim Nichols asked if services would be available on Arran. He was advised all programmes and services are offered however, no unique strand was on Arran at this time but was planned for the future. Jim and Laura Barrie will meet to discuss the way forward. Councillor Anthea Dickson commended the presentation and she is happy it is taking place in North Ayrshire.

6. Joint Health and Wellbeing Statement

Lynne McNiven of NHS Ayrshire and Arran submitted a report to the CP Board to seek approval for the Joint Child Health and Wellbeing Statement, Ayrshire and Arran 2015-2019. The purpose of the statement of intent is to outline a shared commitment to supporting better outcomes for children, both as individuals and as a population across North, South and East Ayrshire.

It is hoped that by agreeing the statement of intent across all agencies, whilst acknowledging local plans, that all agencies will have a shared vision and commitment to children's services across Ayrshire and Arran.

John Burns informed the Board that this statement had been considered by the NHS Board and had been endorsed. He further stated he would commend this to the Partnership.

The Board approved the Joint Child Health and Wellbeing Statement.

7. North Ayrshire Welfare Reform Working Group

An overview of the report was received from Greg Robson of NAC. This report focused on the background, progress, action plan, baseline indicators, cumulative impact, communications plan and key issues of the Welfare Reform Working Group.

It was recommended that the CPP Board:

- Note the progress made by the Welfare Reform Group in recent months,
- Approve the action plan developed for 16-19, which will be reported on bi-annually,
- Note the research that has been commissioned to look at cumulative and aggregated impacts of reforms and
- Note the intention to develop a communications strategy.

Heather Dunk suggested the involvement of Ayrshire college staff within the group.

It was agreed that the DWP would require to be an integral part of future meetings as this would lead to good progress.

Cllr Alan Hill indicated that future statistics would be beneficial on a Locality basis.

John Burns suggested going forward benefit would be gained by an alignment with the Fair for All Strategy.

The CPP Board accepted the recommendations of this report and agreed to receive future updates.

8. Chairs Reports

a. Safer North Ayrshire Partnership (SNAP)

Tim Ross of Police Scotland reported on the work of SNAP and progress in relation to the CPP priority 'a Safe and Secure North Ayrshire'. Partnership working is progressing with KA Leisure on the summer safety campaign. The Positive Steps initiative with Scottish Fire and Rescue and The Ayrshire Community Trust have met with their first 12 participants. Doorstep crime prevention work is being carried out with the help of Trading Standards.

The Chair commended the turnout at Police Scotland's recent open day at Saltcoats Police Office and was advised the turnout was largely due to Partnership involvement.

The Chair recommended that future indicators for road safety should show a breakdown of adults and children. Tim Ross advised this would be broken down for future meetings.

b. Children's Services Strategic Partnership (CSSP)

Morna Rae on behalf of John Butcher (NAC) spoke about the key areas of work for the CSSP and recent developments. An invitation was extended to the Board for the forthcoming Children's Services Plan that is being launched on 7 June at the Harbour Arts Centre, Irvine. Stephen Brown highlighted the consistent approaches between the Joint Health and Wellbeing Statement and the work of the CSSP.

c. Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP)

Cllr Anthea Dickson reported on key developments for the HSCP and the significant progress being made. Woodland View is now open. NAC and NHS Ayrshire and Arran have agreed to purchase Red Cross House. Congratulations were extended to the Care at Home Team who received a grade of 'very good' from the Care Inspector.

9. Urgent and Future Agenda Items

Gibby Lamont advised the Board that the Scottish Fire and Rescue had published their draft Strategic Plan. The consultation for this will run until 9 August.

The next meeting of the CPP Board is 22 September 2016 at 10.30am within the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House Irvine.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 10

15 June 2016

North Ayrshire Council

Title: **Unaudited Annual Accounts 2015/16**

Purpose: To (i) provide the Council with an overview of the Council's unaudited Annual Accounts for the year to 31 March 2016; (ii) provide an overview of the Council's financial performance for the year; and (iii) outline how the 2015/16 out-turn impacts on the Council's overall financial position.

Recommendation: That the Council agrees to:

(a) approve, subject to audit, the Council's Annual Accounts for 2015/16;

(b) note that Audit Scotland plan to complete their audit of the Accounts by mid September 2015 and will present their annual audit report to the Council's Audit Committee on 23 September;

(c) note that Cabinet approval has already been granted to carry forward £4.164m to fund service expenditure in 2016/17;

(d) approve the carry forward of a further £0.986m from the surplus to fund service expenditure in 2016/17, as detailed in Appendix 8;

(e) note the unaudited General Fund position of break even after allowing for the approved and planned carry forwards, including the earmarking of £1.973m to commence the delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools.

(f) note the balance of uncommitted funds of £9.515m on the General Fund (equivalent to 2.8% of annual budgeted expenditure) being held in reserve;

(g) note the unaudited Housing Revenue Account (HRA) surplus for the year of £1.858m; and

(h) note the earmarking and carry forward of the HRA balance as outlined in 2.20.

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Council prepares its Accounts on an annual basis to 31 March and is required, by the Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014, to submit these Accounts to the appointed auditor by 30 June of each year. Audit Scotland plan to complete their audit of the Accounts by mid September 2016 and will present their annual audit report to the Council's Audit Committee on 23 September. An abbreviated version of the Council's unaudited Accounts, containing the key financial statements, for the year to 31 March 2016 has been issued directly for Members' approval prior to their submission to the appointed auditor. A copy of the full set of accounts can be found in the Members' Lounge or by following the attached link:

<http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk/council/performance-and-spending/budgets-and-finance.aspx>

- 1.2 The 2015/16 Accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (ACOP) and requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The ACOP seeks to achieve comparability of financial performance across all local authorities and therefore prescribes the format to be used in presenting income and expenditure information. Consequently the Annual Accounts do not reflect the management reporting structures within North Ayrshire Council. IFRS seek to provide international comparability of financial information across all types of large organisation, both public and private sector.
- 1.3 The Annual Accounts provide an overview of the financial performance of the various funds managed by the Council. The Management Commentary provides a summary of the financial performance of the Council for the year and the financial outlook moving forward. At 31st March 2016 the General Fund closed with a break even position after earmarking of funds of £1.973m to commence the delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools. The balance on the General Fund uncommitted funds is £9.515m (equivalent to 2.8% of annual budgeted expenditure) and is being held in reserve. The balance of earmarked funds is £34.549m and is detailed in section 2.21.
- 1.4 The unaudited Housing Revenue Account (HRA) surplus for the year is £1.858m. Earmarked funds are outlined at 2.20 leaving an uncommitted balance of £0.057m.
- 1.5 In 2016/17 General Fund capital expenditure of £56.190m and Housing capital expenditure of £19.972m was delivered with full details outlined in sections 2.30 to 2.37.

- 1.6 Common Good Funds closed with a balance of £1.799m and Trust Funds with a balance of £0.498m. During the year the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust and the North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust, which have had little or no activity for several years, disbursed all of their funds in final grant payments. The result is that both Trusts have now been wound-up with the approval of and in accordance with the requirements of OSCR.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Annual Accounts provide an overview of the financial performance of the various funds managed by the Council, namely:

- North Ayrshire Council General Fund (capital and revenue)
- Housing Revenue Account (capital and revenue)
- Six Common Good Funds
- Trust Funds

- 2.2 The statements also include 'group accounts', which recognise the material interest the Council has in other organisations, namely:

- Strathclyde Passenger Transport
- Ayrshire Valuation Joint Board
- North Ayrshire Leisure Limited
- North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership

- 2.3 The financial position of the Council and its Group is presented in the following statements:

- Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statements for the Council and the Group (page 24);
- Movement in Reserves Statement (page 22);
- Balance Sheets for the Council and the Group (page 25).

- 2.4 The Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 require various disclosures about the remuneration and pension benefits of senior councillors and senior employees. The remuneration report can be found on page 9 of the financial statements.

- 2.5 The Council is legally required to make its draft accounts available for public inspection for a 3-week period during the audit. A notice has been published on the Council website and an advert was placed in the local papers week commencing the 6 June, advising that the accounts will be available for inspection at Cunninghame House, Irvine between 1 and 21 July 2016.

Financial Performance 2015/16

- 2.6 This section of the report provides an overview of the financial performance of each of the main budgets managed by the Council.

General Fund Revenue Budget

- 2.7 As shown on page 4 of the Annual Accounts, the General Fund Revenue Account achieved an underspend of £5.150m in the year, before earmarking of funds. The final position is break after the earmarking of funds including £1.973m to commence the delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools. This compares to the reported in year surplus of £4.404m, net of £2.809m of carry forwards, as at 31 January 2016. The table below details the final position on a service by service basis.

	App No	Annual Budget	Actual Outturn to 31 March 2016	Projected Variance for year (Fav)/Adv	Request for Carry Forward Approved @ P10	New Requests for Carry Forward	Variance for Year After Carry Forward (Fav)/Adv
		£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Service Expenditure							
Chief Executive and Democratic Services	1	3,734	3,444	(290)	-	185	(105)
Finance & Corporate Support	2	6,172	5,280	(892)	50	174	(668)
Education and Youth Employment	3	135,032	134,426	(606)	486	70	(50)
Place	4	46,230	45,107	(1,123)	297	111	(715)
Economy and Communities	5	35,617	34,601	(1,016)	536	317	(163)
Other Corporate Services	6	10,542	8,560	(1,982)	822	129	(1,031)
Sub Total		237,327	231,418	(5,909)	2,191	986	(2,732)
Health and Social Care Partnership - IJB	7	84,674	86,783	2,109	-	-	2,109
Health and Social Care Partnership - NAC	8	12,384	12,384	-	-	-	-
Balance for Services		334,385	330,585	(3,800)	2,191	986	(623)
Financing Charges	8	(3,744)	(3,691)	53			53
Contribution to Capital Fund	8	-	-	-	1,973		1,973
Transferred to Earmarked Funds	8	5,630	5,630	-			-
Total Planned Expenditure		336,271	332,524	(3,747)	4,164	986	1,403
Planned Income							
Aggregate External Finance	8	(277,997)	(277,804)	193			193
Council Tax	8	(45,960)	(47,556)	(1,596)			(1,596)
Use of Change Fund	8	(877)	(877)	-			-
Use of Earmarked Funds	8	(2,288)	(2,288)	-			-
Pension Fund Account	8	(9,149)	(9,149)	-			-
Total Planned Income		(336,271)	(337,674)	(1,403)	-	-	(1,403)
Net Expenditure/ (Income)		-	(5,150)	(5,150)	4,164	986	-

2.8 **Analysis of final out-turn** – detailed explanations for the significant variances in service expenditure compared to the approved budgets, together with information on funding to be carried forward to finance expenditure in 2016/17, are provided in Appendices 1 to 8 of this report. A summary of the proposed carry forward of earmarked funds to 2016/17 can be found in Appendix 8. In summary, the year-end underspend is mainly attributable to:

- The level of funding available from the Scottish Government to fund Discretionary Housing Payments and the Council Tax Reduction scheme has resulted in the funds set aside by the Council no longer being required (£1.2m)
- Delays in the implementation of Universal Credit for residents within the homelessness service means that funds set aside to meet the funding shortfall are not required (£1.0m)
- Lower levels of inflation than has been anticipated when setting the current year budget (£1m)
- Implementation of vacancy management to help deliver future year efficiencies (£0.8m)

This has been off-set with an overspend within Health and Social Care Partnership of £2.109m which is detailed further in section 2.15 and the earmarking of £1.973m to commence the delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools.

Chief Executive

2.9 Chief Executive service was underspent by £0.290m (7.8% of the annual budget) for the year. This compares to a projected underspend for the year at 31 January 2016 of £0.043m. The main reason for the final underspend is reduced employee costs across the service due to vacant posts (£0.132m) and an underspend in election costs (£0.126m).

Carry forwards are requested within the following areas:-

- Election costs underspend (£0.126m)
- Health Working Lives project (£0.010m) and
- Community Justice Transitional Funding (£0.049m)

After the earmarking of £0.185m for carry forward, the service was underspent by £0.105m (2.8%).

Finance & Corporate Support

2.10 Finance & Corporate Support was underspent by £0.892m (14.4% of the annual budget) for the year. This compares to a projected underspend for the year at 31 January 2016 of £0.607m. The main reasons for the final underspend are :

- An underspend in Discretionary Housing Payments which was not required due to the receipt of additional government funding (£0.438m);
- Reduced employee costs across the service due to vacant posts (£0.244m);
- Additional income recovered from the recovery of Council Tax overpayments and statutory additions (£0.355m);
- These savings have been partially offset by an under recovery of income in relation to procurement savings and recoveries from capital, redundancy payments associated with the review of Business Support and an increased bad debt provision requirement within Housing Benefit Overpayments.

At the Cabinet meetings on 30 November 2015, approval was granted to carry forward £0.050m of external funding associated with posts in Revenue and Benefits, it is now requested that this is increased to £0.124m. In addition, Members are asked to approve a carry forward of £0.099m of ring fenced Scottish Welfare Funds. After the earmarking of £0.223m for carry forward, the service was underspent by £0.668m (10.8%).

Education and Youth Employment

2.11 Education and Youth Employment was underspent by £0.606m (0.45%) of the annual budget for the year. This compares to a projected underspend for the year at 31 January 2016 of £0.596m. The significant final variances are as follows:

- An underspend of £0.347m relating to PPP schools due to an insurance rebate (£0.073) and contract deductions and reductions in the unitary charge (£0.274m).
- An underspend on the additional funds for Developing the Young Workforce (£0.324m) which is required to be carried forward to meet commitments in 2016/17.
- An underspend in payment to private partner providers for Early Years (£0.126m) linked to current demand.
- An underspend in the ICT replacement programme (£0.122m) within schools due to programming profile.
- These savings have been partially offset by an overspend across the service within employee costs (0.352m) mainly as a result of one of costs in respect of the teachers refresh programme and increased teachers costs within Secondary Education.

At Cabinet on the 25 March 2016, approval was granted to carry forward the following items: -

- £0.084m SPIN project for Speech and Language Therapy - planned staff development not delivered in 15/16
- £0.300m Developing the Young Workforce - unspent allocation from 15/16
- £0.075m ICT Computer Replacement - to enable completion of the programme in 15/16
- £0.027m New Qualification - unspent government funding from 15/16

Members are requested to increase the carry forward for Developing the Young Workforce to £0.323m and increase the ICT Computer Replacement to £0.122m to reflect the final expenditure on these projects. After the earmarking of £0.556m for carry forward, the service was underspent by £0.050m (0.0%).

Place

- 2.12 Place was underspent by £1.123m (2.4% of the annual budget) for the year. This compares to a projected underspend for the year of £1.386m at 31 January 2016.

There are various over and underspends across all divisions of the service which are summarised below:

- An underspend within Other Housing (£0.606m) mainly due to a budget set aside for the implementation of Local Housing Allowance (£0.500m) which is not required during 2015/16.
- Property Maintenance (£0.340m) is underspent due to slippage in planned maintenance projects, of this £0.092m is requested to be carried forward into 2016/17.
- An underspend within Facilities Management (£0.304m) as a result of vacancy management (£0.182m) and additional income mainly from school meals (£0.493m), offset by additional supplies and services linked to the delivery of these additional services (£0.341m).
- Streetscene (£0.266m) is underspent mainly due to slippage within the Asset Management (£0.101m) and an underspend in relation to Largs Car Park (£0.066m) which is required to be carried forward as an earmarked fund.

This is offset by an overspend in Waste Services (£0.520m) due to additional landfill tax and increased costs associated with increased tonnages collected from Special Uplifts and Diverted Bulky Waste from Household Waste Recycling Centres.

At the Cabinet meetings on 19 January 2016 and 25 March 2016, approval was granted to carry forward £0.055m for Arran Waste Transfer Station and £0.242m to enable property maintenance projects to be carried out in 2016/17. The revised proposal is to carry forward £0.092m.

In addition, Members are asked to approve a carry forward of £0.316m to meet the following expenditure in 2016/17:

- Largs Car Park - earmarked fund (£0.066m)
- Winter Roads Maintenance (£0.157m)
- APC Termination Costs (£0.068m)
- Rough Sleepers Initiative - unspent grant (£0.025m)

After the earmarking of £0.408m for carry forward, the service was underspent by £0.715m (2.2%).

Economy and Communities

2.13 Economy and Communities was underspent by £1.016m (2.8% of the annual budget) for the year. This compares to a projected underspend for the year of £0.999m at 31 January 2016. The significant final variances are as follows:

- An underspend in Planning and Protective Services (£0.451m) mainly as a result of an underspend in employee costs (0.261m) as a result of vacancies and an over recovery in planning application income (£0.101m)
- An underspend in Economic Development (£0.671m) mainly as a result of delays in European Social Funding grant award notifications (£0.401m) and an underspend in Irvine Bay Regeneration programmes (£0.208m)

This is off-set with an overspend in Connected Communities (£0.127m) as a result of redundancy costs linked to the delivery of future year savings.

At the Cabinet meetings on 19 January 2016 and 29 March 2016, approval was granted to carry forward £0.536m for Employability match funding. In addition, Members are asked to approve a carry forward of £0.317m to meet the following expenditure carrying forward to 2016/17:

- Participatory Budgeting (£0.089m)
- Irvine Bay Regeneration (£0.131m)
- Golf Open (£0.075m)
- Garnock Valley Charrette project (£0.022m)

After the earmarking of £0.853m for carry forward, the service was underspent by £0.163m (0.5%).

Other Corporate Items

2.14 Other Corporate Items was underspent by £1.982m compared to a projected underspend of £2.691m at 31 January 2016. The significant variances are;

- an underspend in inflationary assumptions (£1.050m)
- budget set aside for the implementation of Local Housing Allowance (£0.500m) not required in 2015/16
- over recovery of Support Services Costs (£0.600m), some of which is off-set with an under recovery in internal allocations due to changes in recharge mechanisms.
- funds earmarked for employability projects (£0.822m) will not be fully utilised this year and are requested to be carried forward to 2016/17.
- an underspend in the budget identified for the Records Store also needs to be carried forward (£0.129m).

These underspends have been off-set by additional strain on the pension fund costs (£1.056m) linked to the early delivery of future year savings. After the earmarking of £0.822m for employability projects and £0.129m for the Records Store, the underspend was £1.031m.

Health and Social Care Partnership

2.15 Health and Social Care Partnership was overspent by £2.109m (2.4% of the annual budget) for the year. This compares to a projected overspend for the year at 31 January 2016 of £1.255m.

The significant overspends are as follows:

- An overspend within Children and Families (£1.651m), mainly as a result of current demand for residential and community packages (£1.039m), the implementation of new Kinship rates (£0.280m) and current demand for fostering and adoption (£0.229m).
- An overspend within Physical Disabilities (£0.329m) as a result of current demand for residential care packages (£0.231m) and the equipment store (£0.206m) due to demand for equipment.
- Learning Disabilities (£0.219m) is also overspent based on demand for residential and community packages.

The above overspends are partially offset by underspends across other areas of the service, the most significant of which are as follows:-

- Direct Overhead and Support Services (£0.171m) mainly as a result of vacancy management.

The increase in overspend has been the subject of a separate Cabinet report on 24 May 2016 which identified the underlying reasons for the increase. This report also identified the corrective action proposed by the Partnership to ensure increased accountability and more effective financial management by all budget holders within the Partnership. This will be the subject of an update report to Cabinet later in the financial year.

- 2.16 The Code of Practice requires the Council to account for the budget delegated to the Health and Social Care Partnership within expenditure, matched by income which was delegated back from the Partnership. These are two new entries within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account to reflect the required accounting entries for the cost of the Council delivering services on behalf of the Health and Social Care Partnership. This results in an increase in expenditure and income of £86.783m. The budget delegated to the Health and Social Care Partnership is shown in the line 'Social Work : Contribution to the Health and Social Care Partnership' with the Income included within the income under Social Work, this is in line with the presentation recommended by the Code.

General Government Grant/ Non-Domestic Rates

- 2.17 Income is £0.193m lower than budget which is largely due to the Council granting discretionary relief of £0.150m for Non Domestic Rates.

Council Tax/ Community Charge income

- 2.18 Income from Council tax is £1.440m higher than budgeted at the start of the financial year. This is primarily due to Council Tax Reduction being £1.073m lower than anticipated in addition to £0.202m of cash received for prior years' debt which had been written off.

Housing Revenue Account

- 2.19 As shown on Appendix 9, the Housing Revenue Account delivered an in-year underspend of £1.862m compared to the underspend of £1.858m anticipated at 31 January 2016. The main factors contributing to the final underspend at 31 March 2016 are as follows:

- A net saving in loan charges as a result of external borrowing falling below anticipated levels due to the availability and continued use of internal funds instead of new borrowing (£1.335m);
- Underspends in repairs and adaptations to housing stock (£0.503m)
- Reduced write off of rent arrears reflective of current collection levels (£0.269m);

- The above overspends were partially offset by a reduction in the rental income base as a result of the demolition of houses linked to the acceleration of new house building projects (£0.183m)

When the surplus of £1.862m for 2015/16 is applied to the surplus brought forward at 1 April 2015 of £11.063m, the cumulative surplus is £12.925m. However, £0.701m was utilised during 2015/16 for estate based projects, sheltered housing unit works, software upgrades and funding of capital projects. This results in a final surplus of £12.224m at 31 March 2016.

2.20 In total, the following sums have been approved by Cabinet for earmarking within the HRA:

- £5.744m for Council House Building;
- £3.000m to mitigate the impact of Welfare Reform;
- £0.439m for sheltered housing unit works;
- £0.653m for infrastructure improvements
- £1.300m for major refurbishment works and
- £1.000m is being held as contingency to meet any unforeseen costs.

There remains an uncommitted balance of £0.057m (0.2%).

Fund Balances and Reserves

2.21 The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 empowers local authorities to administer specific funds in addition to the General Fund, namely Repairs and Renewals, Insurance and Capital Funds. In addition the Councils holds a number of other funds and these are detailed in the table below.

The table below summarises the movement on each of the Council's Funds during the year, the closing balance at 31 March 2016 and the estimated future commitments:

	Balance as at 31/03/2015 £m	Transfer Approved at Cabinet 19 Jan 16	Transfer Included in Budget Paper Feb 2016	(Expenditure)/ Income £m	Balance as at 31/03/2016 £m	Identified Commitments/ Forecast Income £m	Estimated Available Balance £m
General Fund - Unearmarked	10.344	-	(0.829)	-	9.515	-	9.515
General Fund Earmarked:-							
Education DMR	0.829	-	-	(0.245)	0.584	(0.584)	-
Affordable Housing	2.727	-	-	0.759	3.486	(2.824)	0.662
Earmarked Funds	5.304	-	2.804	0.191	8.299	(8.299)	-
Equal Pay	1.012	-	-	(0.001)	1.011	(1.011)	0.000
Change & Service Redesign	5.627	1.500	-	(1.622)	5.505	(4.274)	1.231
Legacy Fund	0.060	-	-	(0.009)	0.051	(0.051)	-
Sub Total General Fund	25.903	1.500	1.975	(0.927)	28.451	(17.043)	11.408
Other Reserves:							
Repairs & Renewals Fund	1.627	-	(1.300)	(0.041)	0.286	(0.232)	0.054
Insurance Fund	3.316	-	(0.675)	(0.043)	2.598	(2.598)	-
Capital Fund	9.919	-	-	2.810	12.729	(10.756)	1.973
Total General Fund	40.765	1.500	0.000	1.799	44.064	(30.629)	13.435
Housing Revenue Account	11.063	-	-	1.161	12.224	(12.167)	0.057
Total Reserves	51.828	1.500	0.000	2.960	56.288	(42.796)	13.492

2.22 General Fund (unearmarked) – The General Fund surplus for the year was £5.150m. After recognising the earmarking of funds to be carried forward (£5.150m) this leaves a break even position on the General Fund.

The uncommitted surplus at 31 March 2016 is £9.515m (2.8%). There are a number of risks in the planning assumption in North Ayrshire's medium term financial plan. This, allied to the uncertainty around future funding requires the maintenance of this level of unearmarked reserves. Best practice recommends that local authorities should retain uncommitted reserves of between 2% and 4%, equivalent to between £6.7m and £13.5m for North Ayrshire Council. The Council's reserves policy will continue to be reviewed, particularly as the level of total reserves reduces due to the delivery of commitments over the next few years.

- 2.23 **Affordable Housing** – Council policy provides for 10% council tax discount on properties that are not a sole or main residence. Of the 90% levied, 50% is retained by the Council and recorded as council tax income in the Accounts and the remaining 40% is earmarked for the provision of new build affordable housing. At the start of the year the opening balance on this fund was £2.727m. In 2015/16, income of £0.909m was earmarked for this fund, whilst the expenditure during the year totalled only £0.150m leaving a balance of £3.486m at 31 March 2016. After allowing for known commitments in respect of specific projects and contributions towards new house building in future years the balance on the fund is estimated to be £0.662m at 31 March 2021.
- 2.24 **Earmarked Sums and School Funds** – These funds relate to specific projects for which monies have been identified prior to 31 March 2016, but for which spending plans exist in 2016/17 and beyond. The balance of £8.299m will therefore be required in future years.
- 2.25 **Equal Pay** – A significant number of claims for retrospective compensation have been lodged against the council by employees who consider their jobs to be of ‘equal value’ to other specific posts within the council that are paid at a higher rate. Appropriate financial provision has been included within the 2015/16 accounts and £1.011m will continue to be earmarked for Equal Pay claims.
- 2.26 **Change & Service Redesign Fund** – Costs of £1.622m were incurred during the year in delivering the council’s change programme. After recognising the agreed commitments in 2016/17 and later years, including the proposed cost of upgrades to ICT infrastructure including replacement of the Financial Management System, an estimated uncommitted balance of £1.231m remains in the Change Fund at 31 March 2019.
- 2.27 **Repairs and Renewals Fund** - £0.232m is earmarked for Schools PPP works as required, leaving an uncommitted balance of £0.054m at 31 March 2017.
- 2.28 **Insurance Fund** - this fund represents the amount required to deal with potential uninsured claims and Municipal Mutual Insurance (MMI) underwriting costs. The insurance fund was independently assessed during 2015/16 and the sum earmarked reflects the value recommended by this assessment.

- 2.29 **Capital Fund** - In addition to the contribution from the General Fund of £4.130m during the year, the fund accrued interest of £0.057m. £3.350m was used to fund capital projects during the year. £10.756m will be used to fund the capital programme as set out in the 2016-17 to 2025-26 capital programme. In addition the 2015/16 underspend on the General Fund of £1.973m will be set aside to commence the delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools.

General Services Capital

- 2.30 The Council approved its General Services capital budget for 2015/16 on 9 December 2014. The Cabinet received regular reports on the capital programme throughout the year and approved various adjustments to reflect identified slippage and under/ overspends on projects. The last report to the Cabinet in March 2016 outlined a revised capital budget of £57.564m as at 31 January 2016.
- 2.31 Gross capital expenditure in 2015/16 was £56.190m compared to the final revised budget of £55.456m, i.e. an acceleration of spend of £1.348m. Additional spend of £1.456m was incurred in Shewalton Landfill Site due to the requirement to account for future aftercare costs. This is funded from future year budgets. This has been partially off-set by a saving on Irvine Enterprise Area (£0.182m) with the balance relating to underspends across a range of projects.
- 2.32 Details of the final General Services capital out-turn against budgets for individual projects is provided in Appendix 10 to the report.
- 2.33 Several major projects were successfully completed during the year, including Saltcoats Town Hall, the Millport Field Centre and the Strategic Investment Site in the Irvine Enterprise Area. Work also continues on the new Irvine Leisure Centre, Garnock School Campus and Largs School Campus which will form part of a significant capital investment programme planned over the coming years.

HRA Capital

- 2.34 The Council approved its HRA capital budget for 2015/16 on 9 December 2014. The Cabinet received regular reports on the capital programme throughout the year and approved various adjustments to reflect identified slippage and under/ overspends on projects. The last report to the Cabinet in March 2016 outlined a revised capital budget of £21.365m at 31 January 2016.
- 2.35 Gross capital expenditure in 2015/16 was £19.972m compared to the final revised budget of £21.085m, i.e. an underspend of £1.113m. £0.126m of this relates to a true underspend on the programme. The remaining underspend for the year of £0.987m is requested to be carried forward and is linked to the House Building programme.

- 2.36 Details of the final HRA capital out-turn against budgets for individual projects is provided in Appendix 11 to the report.
- 2.37 During 2015/16 the Council continued with its plans to build 500 new houses over 10 years, with 56 houses completed at John Galt, Stevenson Institute, Montgomery Court, Dickson Drive and Vennel Gardens.

Common Good Funds

- 2.38 A summary of the revenue and capital balances on the Common Good Funds is provided below, with further details provided on page 29 of the financial statements. All funds have accumulated surpluses at 31 March 2016.

Common Good Fund	Balance at 1 April	Movement in Year Increase / (Decrease)	Balance at 31 March
Ardrossan	0.080	0.039	0.119
Irvine	0.964	0.021	0.985
Largs	0.420	0.006	0.426
Millport	0.041	0.012	0.053
Saltcoats	0.017	-	0.017
Stevenston	0.197	0.002	0.199

Trusts

- 2.39 A summary of the revenue and capital balances on the Trust Funds administered by the Council is provided below, with further details provided within page 30 of the financial statements. All funds have accumulated surpluses at 31 March 2016. North Ayrshire Council's Trust Funds, where the Council is the sole trustee, are required to prepare their own Accounts and Trustees' Annual Report. These are subject to separate external audit and are the subject of a their own report to Council.
- 2.40 During the year the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust and the North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust, which have had little or no activity for several years, disbursed all of their funds in final grant payments. The result is that both Trusts have now been wound-up with the approval of and in accordance with the requirements of OSCR.

Trusts	Balance at 1 April	Movement in Year Increase / (Decrease)	Balance at 31 March
North Ayrshire Charitable Trust	0.075	0.002	0.077
Town Trusts	0.210	(0.015)	0.195
Douglas Sellers Trust	0.002	-	0.002
Anderson Trust	0.001	-	0.001
Margaret Archibald Trust	0.174	0.003	0.177
Other Bequests	0.047	(0.001)	0.046

3. Proposals

General Fund:

- 3.1 The General Fund ended the year with a break even position after the earmarking of funds including the earmarking of £1.973m to commence delivery of Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools. At 31 March 2016 the Council has an accumulated uncommitted general Fund surplus of £9.515m. Due to the risks in the planning assumption in North Ayrshire's medium term financial plan and the uncertainty around future funding it is proposed that this surplus remains unearmarked.

Housing Revenue Account:

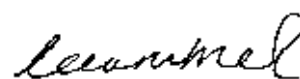
- 3.2 When applied to the surplus brought forward from 2014/15 of £11.063m, the accumulated HRA surplus at 31 March 2016 is £12.224m, before recognising earmarking of funds. As outlined at paragraph 2.15 above, £12.137m has already been set aside for various initiatives, leaving an uncommitted balance of £0.057m.
- 3.3 It is proposed that this balance is held in reserve to meet any funding requirements arising from the review of the 30 year HRA business plan.

4. Implications

Financial:	The financial implications are as outlined within the report.
Human Resources:	None
Legal:	None
Equality:	None
Environmental & Sustainability:	None
Key Priorities:	This report aligns to the Council's strategic priorities by "making the best use of all resources" and ensuring a "sound financial position".
Community Benefits:	None

5. Consultation

- 5.1 Discussions have taken place between Executive Directors and Finance on Services' financial performance throughout the year to 31 March 2016.



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Background Papers

None

CHIEF EXECUTIVE SERVICE
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% Variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Legal	20	(25)	(45)	-225%	1
Policy, Performance & Community Planning	1,348	1,146	(202)	-15%	2
Communications	2	-	(2)	-100%	
Committee & Member Services	2,186	2,163	(23)	-1%	3
Change Programme	32	-	(32)	-100%	4
Civil Contingencies	146	160	14	10%	5
Totals	3,734	3,444	(290)	-8%	
Elections Carry Forward to be approved	-		126		
Healthy Working Lives			10		
Community Justice Transitional Funding			49		
Net Total	3,734	3,444	(105)	-3%	

Subjective Summary	Annual Budget	Projected Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% Variance
	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	4,259	4,127	(132)	-3%
Property Costs	675	672	(3)	0%
Supplies and Services	173	201	28	16%
Transport and Plant Costs	42	42	-	0%
Administration Costs	2,122	2,121	(1)	0%
Other Agencies & Bodies	745	552	(193)	-26%
Transfer Payments	-	-	-	-
Other Expenditure	2	11	9	450%
Capital Financing	5	5	-	0%
Gross Expenditure	8,023	7,731	(292)	-4%
Income	(4,289)	(4,287)	2	0%
Net Expenditure	3,734	3,444	(290)	-8%

CHIEF EXECUTIVE SERVICE
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2016

Budget £000	Outturn Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
Note 1			Legal
			Movement - There is an increase of £0.003m in the projected underspend since Period 10
1,130	(42)	4%	Employee Costs - There is an underspend due to a vacant post within Legal
41	7	-17%	Supplies and Services - There is an overspend due to ICT equipment required for office move
62	(27)	44%	Admin Costs - There is an underspend relating to legal expenses.
-	13	0%	Other Expenditure - There is an overspend relating to an increased Bad Debt Provision charge not anticipated
(691)	7	1%	Income - There is an under-recovery due a reduced demand for service
	(3)		Other minor variances
	(45)		
Note 2			Policy, Performance & Community Planning
			Movement - There is an increased underspend of £0.195m since Period 10 mainly due to reduced election costs, unspent monies for Healthy Working Lives & Community Justice Transitional Funding
1,177	(19)	-2%	Employee Costs - There is an underspend mainly due to an employee secondment to Corporate Procurement
145	(126)	-87%	Election Costs - There is an underspend of £0.126m in relation to election costs. Approval is requested to carry this forward for future years elections
10	(10)		Healthy Working Lives - funding was not spent in 2015/16 due to delays in project. Approval is requested to carry this forward into 2016/17
49	(49)		Community Justice Transitional Funding - arrangements not fully in place before year end therefore funding was not spent. Approval is requested to carry this forward into 2016/17 when spend will occur
	2		Other minor variances
	(202)		

FINANCE & CORPORATE SUPPORT
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% Variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Directorate	(6)	(0)	6	(100%)	
Finance					
Central Recharges	(233)	(233)	-	0%	
Head of Finance	232	233	1	1%	
Financial Management	-	(0)	-	-	
Revenues & Benefits	5,715	4,578	(1,136)	(20%)	1
Audit & Risk	114	114	-	0%	
Corporate Procurement	(85)	(0)	85	(100%)	2
Customer, People & Corporate Support					
Central Recharges	(143)	(143)	-	0%	
Head of Service	141	144	3	2%	
Human Resources	39	-	(39)	(100%)	3
ICT	(37)	-	37	(100%)	4
Customer Services & Registration	556	587	31	6%	5
Business Support	(121)	0	121	(100%)	6
Totals	6,172	5,280	(891)	-14%	
Less approved Carry Forward	-	223	223		1
Net Total	6,172	5,503	(668)	-11%	

Subjective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% Variance
	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	14,242	14,030	(212)	(1%)
Property Costs	1,683	1,683	-	0%
Supplies and Services	1,526	1,579	53	3%
Transport and Plant Costs	47	50	3	6%
Administration Costs	5,377	5,369	(8)	(0%)
Other Agencies & Bodies	2,400	2,474	74	3%
Transfer Payments	61,233	60,755	(479)	(1%)
Other Expenditure	11	264	253	2300%
Capital Financing	738	749	12	2%
Gross Expenditure	87,257	86,953	(304)	(0%)
Income	(81,085)	(81,672)	(587)	1%
Net Expenditure	6,172	5,280	(891)	(14%)

FINANCE & CORPORATE SUPPORT
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

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Budget £000	Projected Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
Note 1			Revenues and Benefits
			Movement - There is an increase in underspend of £0.456m since Period 10, mainly due to recovery of Council Tax overpayments, statutory additions and DWP subsidy.
2,241	(139)	-6%	Employee Costs - There is an underspend of £0.139m due to delayed filling of vacancies and maternity leave
147	(29)	-20%	Supplies and Services - There is an underspend of £0.029m within Software Licences, expected to be non-recurring
1,091	(98)	-9%	Payments to Other Bodies - Within the Scottish Welfare Fund, underspends of £0.099m are requested for carry forward into 2016/17 as these sums must be spent on SWF payments.
58,208	(438)	-1%	Transfer Payments - There is an underspend of £0.438m mainly due to funds set aside by the Council for Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP), which are now expected to be fully funded by the Scottish Government
-	253	-	Other Expenditure - There is an overspend of £0.253m mainly due to an increase in bad debt provision for Housing Benefit overpayments
(61,022)	(679)	1%	Income - Welfare Reform funds of £0.105m set aside to address the benefit cap on temporary accommodation will not be required in the current financial year. In addition, Council Tax overpayments of £0.326m and Statutory Additions of £0.029m were recovered at year-end and the DWP subsidy was over-recovered by £0.091m. There is already an approved carry forward of £0.050m in external income to enable the continued funding of posts in 2016/17. Further approval is now sought to carry forward £0.074m of DWP funding for Grade 4 posts and training in 2016/17.
(6)			Other Minor Variances
(1,136)			
Note 2			Corporate Procurement
			Movement - There is an increase in overspend of £0.057m mainly due to under recovery of revenue and capital contract savings
648	(71)	-11%	Employee Costs - There is an underspend due to vacancy management, maternity leave and long-term sickness absence
(167)	145	-87%	Income - There is an under recovery of £0.145m in revenue and capital contract savings
12	9	75%	Supplies and services - There is an overspend of £0.009m due to purchase of new laser printer and new laptops
2			Other minor variances
85			
Note 3			Human Resources
			Movement - there is an increase of £0.017m in the underspend since Period 10, mainly due to reduced employee costs
1,605	(34)	-2%	Employee Costs - There is an underspend of £0.034m due to delay in filling vacancies and reduced hours
114	(5)	-4%	Supplies and Services - There is an underspend of £0.005m mainly due to new software now being sourced in 16/17 rather than 15/16
213	(5)	-2%	Admin Costs - There is an underspend of £0.005m mainly due to reduced staff training course fees
284	61	21%	Payment to Other Bodies - There is an overspend of £0.061m due to agency staff costs within Health & Safety which is partly offset by an underspend in employee costs and an overspend within Occupational Health due to increased demand partly offset by related recharges to services
(308)	(54)	18%	Income - There is an over recovery of £0.054m mainly due to payments from HMRC relating to refund of tax overpayment and additional income relating to Occupational Health recharges
5	(2)	-40%	Other minor variances
(39)			
Note 4			ICT
			Movement - there is a decrease in the overspend of £0.020m since Period 10, mainly due to reduction in software licences & support
1,021	42	4%	Supplies & Services - There is an overspend of £0.042m due to the 2014/15 annual maintenance for WAN circuits being received late and paid in 2015/16
29	(10)	-34%	Admin Costs - There is an underspend of £0.010m due to change in mobile service provider and delay in available training courses towards year end

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Budget £000	Projected Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
-	9	-	Other Expenditure - There is an increase in Bad Debt Provision of £0.009m not anticipated at P10
1,505	(4)	0%	Other minor variances
37			
Note 5			Customer Services & Registration
			Movement - there is a decrease in the overspend of £0.028m since Period 10, mainly due to registration income being higher than anticipated
1,801	13	1%	Employee Costs - There is an overspend of £0.013m due to turnover target not being fully achieved as well as long-term sickness absence cover.
135	21	16%	Supplies & Services - There is an overspend of £0.021 largely attributable to the overlap of software contracts in relation to the telephony upgrade
79	8	10%	Payment to Other Bodies - There is an overspend of £0.008 due to additional charges from SPS Doorguard over the festive period
271	(40)	-15%	Transfer Payments - There is an underspend of £0.040m in Footwear and Clothing grants based on levels of demand
(12)	12	-100%	Capital Financing - in 2014/15 Cabinet approved £0.287m to upgrade the Contact Centre technology. The project required a further £0.012m to complete the upgrade and approval was granted in period 6 to transfer this amount from revenue to capital at year end
(578)	13	-2%	Income - There is an under recovery of £0.013m based on lower uptake of services
60	3		Other minor variances
31			
Note 6			Business Support
			Movement - there is a £0.167m movement from P10 resulting in a £0.122m overspend mainly due to redundancy costs
1,781	130	7%	Employee Costs - There is an overspend of £0.130m due to redundancy payments
142	(11)	-8%	Admin Costs - There is an underspend of £0.011m following a Kai Sigma project to reduce postage costs
22	3	14%	Other minor variances
121			

EDUCATION AND YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Early Years Education	12,836	12,144	(692)	-5%	1
Primary Education	54,490	54,986	496	1%	2
Secondary Education	57,143	56,481	(662)	-1%	3
Additional Support Needs	8,915	9,046	131	1%	4
Education - Other	1,648	1,769	121	7%	5
	135,032	134,426	(606)		
Less carry forward proposals		556	556		
Totals	135,032	134,982	(50)	0	

Subjective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance
	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	84,790	85,603	813	1%
Property Costs	18,171	18,123	(48)	0%
Supplies and Services	14,816	13,936	(880)	-6%
Transport and Plant Costs	4,380	4,385	5	0%
Administration Costs	13,495	13,464	(31)	0%
Other Agencies & Bodies	7,942	7,767	(175)	-2%
Transfer Payments	580	613	33	6%
Other Expenditure	-	-	-	
Capital Financing	3,135	3,135	-	
Gross Expenditure	147,309	147,026	(283)	0%
Income	(12,277)	(12,600)	(323)	3%
Net Expenditure	135,032	134,426	(606)	0%

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Budget £000	Projected Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
Note 1			Early Years Education
			Movement - underspend has increased by £0.073m mostly due to less private nursery places being required.
1,069	(110)	-10%	Difficulties in recruiting Teachers has resulted in an underspend in salaries.
7,152	(253)	-4%	Early Years Practitioners salaries - underspend mainly due to the slower uptake in early year places for 2 year old's from workless households and delays in additional early years facilities.
222	(64)	-29%	Training course fees - due to difficulty in recruiting suitably qualified staff we were unable to release staff to take part in enhanced training opportunities.
353	(38)	-11%	Payments made to Childminders.
1,533	(126)	-8%	Payments made to Private Partner Providers has underspent this year, however it is likely that early next year a new advisory floor will be suggested to Local Authorities that will increase the call on this budget.
	(101)		Other minor variances
			It is proposed to carry forward £0.084m for the SPIN project for Speech and Language Therapy.
	(692)		
Note 2			Primary Education
			Movement - the overspend has increased by £0.058m mainly as a result of minor variances.
32,811	482	1%	Employee Costs - overspend (£0.523m) is due to increased number of pupils with additional support needs (ASN) to allow these pupils to remain within mainstream schools. This service is related to the expenditure in note 4. Additional expenditure at this stage can avoid incurring much larger amounts by the time the pupil is in receipt of specialist services.
	14		Other minor variances
	496		
Note 3			Secondary Education
			Movement - the underspend has decreased by £0.257m due to the overspend on Teacher costs.
33,725	309	1%	Employee costs - £0.209m overspend on teachers costs. This is due to teachers being employed higher on the scale than budgeted.
328	(324)	-99%	Project Materials - Developing the Young Workforce. It is proposed to carry forward this £0.324m unspent grant. There is a firm plan following consultation with a range of partners to spend this budget in the next financial year.
11,311	(274)	-2%	PPP unitary charge underspend mainly due to reduction in the RPI.
0	(73)		PPP insurance rebate.
(40)	(282)	705%	PPP contract deductions due to penalties. The service is now in formal discussions with the contractor to ensure that the level of service delivered matches the contract specifications.
	(18)		Other minor variances
	(662)		
Note 4			Additional Support Needs
			Movement - the overspend has increased by £0.013k.
1,380	93	7%	Employee costs overspend due to additional classroom assistants employed on Arran to prevent day placements.
	38		Other minor variances
	131		
Note 5			Education Other
			Movement - the overspend has decreased by £0.265m mainly due to the cost of the business support review being funded centrally.
0	195		Teacher Refresh Scheme £0.176m.
1,137	168	15%	Overspend on the HQ teachers replacement cover costs. This covers both long term sick as well as maternity cover.
1,843	(99)	-5%	Employee costs - underspend due to staff transferring to Attainment Challenge and replacement staff not yet in place.
650	(122)	-19%	Anticipated £0.122m underspend on ICT computer replacement. It is proposed that this balance is carried forward as an earmarked fund. The replacement programme has not been able to deliver in the anticipated timeframes. By carrying forward it will allow ICT the time to complete the initial agreed programme.
27	(26)	-96%	A Scottish Government grant of £0.026m to assist in developing the new qualifications is planned to be spent before the end of this academic year. It is requested that this is carried forward as an earmarked fund.
	5		Other minor variances
	121		
(606)			TOTAL

PLACE
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Directorate and Support	3	-	(3)	(100%)	
Physical Environment					
Property Management & Investment	796	663	(133)	(17%)	1
Housing Assets & Investment	(104)	-	104	0%	2
Property Running Costs	(36)	-	36	(100%)	3
Property Maintenance	340	-	(340)	(100%)	4
Roads	13,102	13,091	(11)	(0%)	5
Streetscene	8,863	8,597	(266)	(3%)	6
Other Housing	6,110	5,504	(606)	(10%)	7
Commercial Services					
Management and Admin	(25)	-	25	(100%)	
Building Services	650	610	(40)	(6%)	8
Internal Transport	105	-	(105)	(100%)	9
Waste Services	15,198	15,718	520	3%	10
Facilities Management	1,228	924	(304)	(25%)	11
Total	46,230	45,107	(1,123)	(2%)	
Less Carry Forward		408	408		
Net Total	46,230	45,515	(715)	(2%)	

Subjective Summary	Annual Budget	Projected Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance
	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	43,578	43,264	(314)	(1%)
Property Costs	20,365	20,227	(138)	(1%)
Supplies and Services	11,441	11,350	(91)	(1%)
Transport and Plant Costs	17,088	17,256	168	1%
Administration Costs	9,974	9,981	7	0%
Other Agencies & Bodies	18,509	18,970	461	2%
Transfer Payments	1,445	1,264	(181)	(13%)
Other Expenditure	382	383	1	0%
Capital Financing	22,176	22,182	6	
Gross Expenditure	144,958	144,877	(81)	(0%)
Income	(98,728)	(99,770)	(1,042)	1%
Net Expenditure	46,230	45,107	(1,123)	(2%)

PLACE**BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16****REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016**

Budget £000	Variance £000	Section
Note 1 Property Management & Investment		
		Movement - The underspend has increased since P10 by £0.031m. This is largely attributed to additional underspends in employee costs due to staff vacancies of £0.008m and additional income of £0.021m.
2,770	-99	Employee Costs - There is a £0.099m underspend as a result of effective vacancy management
413	-76	Carbon Allowances - There is an underspend of £0.076m mainly as a result of the charges relating to 2014/15 being less than accrued.
	42	Other minor movements
(133)		
Note 2 Housing Assets & Investment		
		Movement - The £0.104m overspend is a new variance and is as a result of a lower level of recovery of support costs than budgeted based on actual costs.
-104	104	Overspend of £0.104m largely due to lower recovery of central support costs based on actual costs.
	0	Other minor movements
104		
Note 3 Property Costs		
		Movement - There has been an increase in expenditure of £0.108m since period 10. This is largely attributable to utility costs being greater than predicted at period 10.
5,484	-48	Rates - There is a year end underspend in rates. This is largely due to refunds being received in relation to previous years (£0.047m).
3,770	20	Utility Costs - There is an overall overspend on utilities largely due to an overspend on Gas which has been partially offset by an underspend on biomass fuel and water costs.
2,308	38	Income - There is an under-recovery of £0.038m largely as a result of a lower than anticipated RHI income (£0.112m) due to a delay in the biomass programme which is off-set by underspends on biomass fuel. This is partially offset by an over recovery in rental income & service charges (£0.088m).
	26	Other minor movements
36		
Note 4 Property Maintenance		
		Movement - The underspend has increased by £0.092m since P10. This is largely due to slippage in the Walker Hall and Galt House projects.
3,157	68	Property Costs - There was an overspend in of £0.067m in relation to reactive and planned maintenance works.
2,410	-409	Payments to Contractors - There is a £0.409m underspend resulting from slippage in planned maintenance projects including works at Galt House, Walker Hall and the North Ayrshire Heritage Centre. It is requested that from within the property maintenance budget, £0.092m be carried forward to meet the cost of these commitments within the overall property maintenance budget in 2016/17.
	1	Other minor movements
(340)		

Budget £000	Variance £000	Section
Note 5 Roads		
		Movement - the overspend of £0.135m has reduced by £0.146m since P10 this is largely due to an underspend in Winter Maintenance.
(143)	135	Income - There is a shortfall of £0.131m in relation to income previously received for Bus Shelter advertising due to the contract coming to an end in November 2014.
635	(157)	Winter Maintenance - There was an £0.157m underspend as a result of milder winter conditions. It is requested that this underspend be carried forward to support emergency work on the String Road in Arran which, over the winter period has deteriorated due to additional heavy vehicle movement associated with the construction of the new terminal at Brodick Pier.
	11	Other minor movements
	(11)	
Note 6 Streetscene		
		The underspend has increased since P10 by £0.222m. This is largely made up of £0.101m underspend within the Asset management budget in relation to slippage on memorial works and Largs Car park (£0.066m). The Largs Car park underspend is requested to be carried forward. Lastly, there was greater income from interments than projected P10.
921	(115)	Property Costs - There is an underspend in the Asset transfer budget of £101m which was earmarked for Memorial works which were not completed by the end of the financial year.
(5)	(66)	Largs Car Park - There is an underspend within Largs car park of £0.066m which is requested to be carried forward.
(2,100)	(38)	Income - Additional income of £0.038m largely attributed to additional interments.
	(47)	Other minor movements
	(266)	
Note 7 Other Housing		
		Movement - the overall underspend has reduced by £0.774m since Period 10. This is largely attributable to the previously identified underspend in affordable housing of £0.915m which has now been transferred to earmarked funds for 2016/17.
3,588	(50)	Employee Costs - There is an underspend of £0.050m due to vacant posts throughout the year.
120	(49)	Admin Costs - There is an underspend of £0.049m within admin costs including £0.027m relating to telephone and mobile phone costs.
2,801	115	Other Agencies & Bodies - There is a £0.115m underspend due to the planned contribution towards affordable housing in 2015/16 now not being required until 2016/17. This has been approved to be carried forward to support affordable housing projects in future years. There was also an underspend of £0.025m in relation to the RoughSleepers Initiative. As this is a Pan-Ayrshire initiative this underspend is required to be carried forward to support the project in 2016/17. In addition there was a lower than budgeted charge from HRA to General Fund resulting in an underspend of £0.045m. These underspends are partially offset by a £0.209m overspend due to the delayed implementation of new support contracts.
148	(99)	Other Expenditure - Budget was £0.063m higher than required for Arrears Write Offs. Collection levels are currently higher than anticipated and based on this there is less requirement for write-offs. In addition there have been in year efficiency savings of £0.039m realised through a review of the housing budgets.
3,494	(503)	Income - As part of the Welfare Reform roll-out it was anticipated that the Local Housing Allowance (LHA) would be implemented from 1 April 2015 and the Income budget was reduced to mitigate against its impact on rent collection levels. It did not come into effect this financial year and as a result there is a higher level of income of £0.472m than had been budgeted for at the start of the year.
	(20)	Other minor movements

Budget £000	Variance £000	Section
(606)		
Note 8 Building Services		
		Movement - the underspend has reduced by £0.170m since Period 10 mainly due additional staffing costs of £0.148m and additional payments to contractors of £0.136m. These have been partially offset by increased income of £0.142m.
8,705	49	Employee Costs - There was an overspend of £0.049m in staffing due to additional workload.
4,225	(181)	Supplies and Services - There is an underspend of £0.181m mainly relating to materials cost as a result of the types of work undertaken during the year.
1,666	(132)	Transport & Plant - There is an underspend of £0.132m as a result of reduced transport requirements.
1,650	281	Other Agencies - There is an overspend of £0.281m mainly relating to payment to contractors cost as a result of the types of work undertaken during the year and this is partially offset by an underspend on materials.
87	(87)	Other Expenditure - There was an underspend of £0.087m as a result of in year efficiency savings realised through a review of the budget
(3,933)	267	Response Income - There is an under recovery of income of £0.267m. This is as a result of the continued strategy to adopt a planned approach to repairs to reduce the cost of responsive repairs.
(2,983)	38	Void Income - There is an under-recovery in income of £0.038m due to a reduction in the number of void properties for the year.
(1,317)	107	Aids and Adaptations - There is an under-recovery in aids and adaptations of £0.107m due to difficulties in gaining access to properties. A review of the Equipment & Adaptations is currently being undertaken by the Health & Social Care Partnership and this will help ensure that full budget spend can be achieved in future years.
(2,646)	(521)	Non Housing Income - There is an over recovery of income of £0.521m due to additional non housing works being secured. This largely relates to capital works in various council properties.
(3,945)	97	Projects - There is an under-recovery in income of £0.097m largely in relation to kitchen installations due to a reduction in the number of void properties during the year.
	42	Other minor movements
(40)		
Note 9 Internal Transport		
		Movement - the underspend has increased by £0.045m since period 10 mainly as a result of lower fuel costs.
1,875	(259)	Fuel Costs - The year end underspend on fuel reflects the present current lower cost of fuel. Fuel savings of £0.120m due to reduced fuel costs have been reflected in the 2016/17 budget.
4,231	128	Taxi Costs - The overspend is largely due to an increase in demand from service users within Education and Health and Social Care. A budget pressure has been approved to address the increasing demand for 2016/17. A further business process review and analysis of demand is to be carried out.
1,500	96	Repairs and Maintenance and Other Transport Costs - Overspend of £0.096m as a result of increase in volume of work facilitated by contractors pending vacancy recruitment. external contractors to compensate for staff absences and increased R+M costs for fleet vehicles retained to prevent the need for short term external hires.
(72)	(57)	Insurance and External Vehicle Hire - increased income from insurance receipts and enhanced utilisation of bus fleet generating additional income.
	(13)	Other minor movements
(105)		

Budget £000	Variance £000	Section
Note 10 Waste Services		
		Movement - the expenditure has increased by £0.660m since Period 10 projections. This is due to an issue with the waste transfer vehicle which had resulted in Landfill tonnages being understated during the year.
4,558	101	Employee Costs - There is an overspend of £0.101m. Vehicle Checks were overspent by £0.035m due to the budget provision not yet reflecting that required under the revised structure. Budgets have been re-aligned for 2016/17. Additional costs for delivery of household food waste bags of £0.028m and redundancy costs of £0.032m were also incurred.
724	(96)	Supplies and Services - There is an underspend of £0.129m for bin purchases due to decreased demand from housing providers and fewer requests for replenishment. This is offset by increased materials and equipment spend.
5,426	470	Landfill Tax is overspent by £0.215m due to landfill tonnages. Payments to contractors have overspent by £0.292m reflecting increased tonnages collected from Special Uplifts and Diverted Bulky Waste from Household Waste Recycling Centres. This has been partially offset by an underspend of £0.037m as a result less tonnage of Organic Waste collected.
(1,699)	175	Commercial Refuse Income - Under-recovery of income for Commercial Refuse £0.175m. Staffing resources have been re-aligned to place a greater emphasis on targeting increased commercial income.
(205)	(142)	Waste Gas Extraction Income - There is an over-recovery of income due to increased gas capture levels through completion of capping of cell four at Shewalton Landfill Site.
(128)	40	Sale of materials - There was a £0.040m shortfall in relation to sale of materials received at Household Waste Recycling Centres including scrap, waste cardboard and paper. This is due to reduced tonnages and current market prices.
	(28)	Other minor movements
	520	
Note 11 Facilities Management		
		Movement - the underspend has increased by £0.123m since Period 10. This is largely due to a decrease in the expected spend on food provisions and additional income.
10,619	(182)	Employee costs - There is an underspend across the service of £0.182m which is largely attributable to reduced overtime and vacancy management.
3,231	341	Supplies and Services - overspend of £0.192m in relation to food provisions largely due to increased uptake of school meals and increased levels of special catering which has generated additional income. In addition there is also an overspend of £0.081m for costs in relation to the termination of Automated Public Convenience contracts. It is requested that £0.068m of the overall underspend be carried forward to meet termination costs relating to APC's in 2016/17. A further £0.040m has been spent on cleaning equipment
(3,258)	(493)	Income - Additional income of £0.493m is largely attributable to increased school meals uptake, increased income from Tournament Park Cafe and additional Special Catering.
	30	Other minor movements
	(304)	

ECONOMY AND COMMUNITIES
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

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	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance	Note No
Objective Summary	£000	£000	£000		
Management	21	-	(21)	0%	
Economic Growth					
Planning & Protective Services	3,683	3,232	(451)	-12%	1
Economic Development	8,960	8,289	(671)	-7%	2
Connected Communities	22,953	23,080	127	1%	3
	35,617	34,601	(1,016)	-3%	
Less Carry Forward		854	854		
Net Total	35,617	35,455	(162)	0%	

	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance
Subjective Summary	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	13,384	13,228	(156)	-1%
Property Costs	7,139	7,257	118	2%
Supplies and Services	1,438	1,430	(8)	-1%
Transport and Plant Costs	318	303	(15)	-5%
Administration Costs	2,928	2,912	(16)	-1%
Other Agencies & Bodies	13,640	12,835	(805)	-6%
Transfer Payments	505	505	-	0%
Other Expenditure	1	24	23	2300%
Capital Financing	654	654	-	
Gross Expenditure	40,007	39,148	(859)	-2%
Income	(4,390)	(4,547)	(157)	4%
Net Expenditure	35,617	34,601	(1,016)	-3%

ECONOMY AND COMMUNITIES
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Budget £000	Projected Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
Note 1			Planning & Protective Services
			Movement - Increased underspend of £0.043m from period 10 mainly due to an underspend in Strategic Planning - Other Supplies and Services (£0.031m)
2,819	(261)	-9%	Employee Costs - underspends are a result of vacancies.
188	(51)	-27%	Other Supplies and Services -mainly due to an underspend in Strategic Planning (£0.031m) as a result of a late grant award from Scottish Government re the Charrette project in the Garnock valley. It is requested that £0.023m is transferred to Earmarked funds to fund the completion of the project in 2016/17.
(524)	(101)	19%	Planning Application fees - additional income due to several major applications submitted
	(38)		Other minor variances
	(451)		
Note 2			Economic Development
			Movement - the underspend has decreased by £0.045m from period 10 mainly due to an underspend in Irvine Bay Regeneration (£0.208m) offset by an increase in expenditure in Modern Apprentices (£0.132m), Support into Employment (£0.080m) and Case Management and Job Brokerage (£0.074m)
5,269	(401)	-8%	Due to delays in European Social Funding (ESF) grant award notification there is a significant underspend in related expenditure for new employability projects. £0.536m is required for match funding re Poverty and Social Inclusion projects - it is requested that this is transferred to Earmarked funds.
1,500	(208)	-14%	Irvine Bay Regeneration - an underspend in IBRC project work (£0.208m). It is requested that £0.131m of this is transferred to Earmarked funds.
(1,241)	(59)	5%	Anticipated 2015/16 grant income (Youth Employment Initiative) pending successful audit of grant claims.
	(3)		Other minor variances
			A further request for transfer to Earmarked funds is a contribution towards the Scottish Open golf £0.075m.
	(671)		
Note 3			Connected Communities
			Movement - there is a decrease in the overspend of £0.007m.
7,523	102	1%	Employee Costs - an increase in redundancy costs of £0.079m in Active Communities and Childrens Services as a result of restructures, and increase in weekly/seasonal costs of £0.239m which are offset by vacancies £0.418m across the full range of services.
146	110	75%	Property Costs - as a result of the fire in the Nissan shed at Eglinton Country Park there was a need for additional security £0.044m. Transfer to capital for Eglinton Park Car Park of £0.050m.
5,123	(185)	-4%	Payments to Other Agencies - an £0.089m underspend from Participatory Budgeting is requested that this is transferred to Earmarked funds. There is an underspend of £0.021m in Grants - a payment reduction to Auchrannie Hotel and £0.017m within Arran Outdoor Centre. Underspend within Active Communities of £0.045m payment to NALL due to non-filling of post.
(1,317)	80	-6%	Income -under-recovery of income across various lines within Libraries £0.041m. Within Active Communities under recovery of grant income from Sportscotland of £0.0104m for vacant posts. This is offset by over recovery of income within Arts £0.027m, Healthy Start Clubs £0.011m and Arran Outdoor £0.027m
1,285	20	2%	Other minor variances
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OTHER CORPORATE ITEMS
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS TO 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% Variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Strathclyde Passenger Transport	2,411	2,409	(2)	0%	
SPT Concessionary Fares	283	283	-	0%	
Ayrshire Joint Valuation Board	810	810	-	0%	
Other Corporate Costs					
Pension Costs	1,389	2,445	1,056	76%	1
Other Corporate Items					
Non-Distributed Costs	1,487	1,487	-	0%	
Central Telephones	8	-	(8)	-100%	
Other Corporate Items (incl Cash in Transit & External Audit Fees)	4,251	1,127	(3,124)	-73%	
Insurance Account	-97	-	97		2
Funds to be Allocated (incl Termination Costs)				-	
	10,542	8,560	-1,982	-19%	

OTHER CORPORATE ITEMS
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE TEN MONTHS TO 31 JANUARY 2015

Budget £000	Outturn Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
Note 1			Pension Costs
1,389	1,056	76%	Pension Costs have outturned £1.056m higher than anticipated mainly as a result of additional costs in relation Strain on the Fund linked to the early delivery of savings for 2016/17.
Note 1			
4,251	-3,124	-73%	A review of corporate items has been undertaken and forecasts updated to reflect the latest information in relation to payroll and non-payroll inflation. This has resulted in a forecasted underspend of £1.050m. In addition, £0.500m set aside for the implementation of the Local Housing Allowance is not required in 2015/16. Support Services recharges have over recovered by £0.6m which is partially off-set with an under recovery in internal allocations due to changes in recharge mechanisms. Funds earmarked for employability projects (£0.822m) will not be fully utilised this year and are requested to be carried forward to 2016/17. £0.129m is also being carried forward to complete the work to the Record Store.

Subject: **Financial Management Report as at 31st March 2016**

Purpose: To provide an overview of the final 2015/16 financial position of the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership as at 31st March 2016

Recommendation: That the Board (a) **notes** the content of this report and (b) approves the action plan, as noted in paragraph 2.4 and Appendix 3, to improve the budget monitoring process.

1.	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
1.1	This report provides an overview of the final 2015/16 financial position of the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership as at 31 st March 2016. This report reflects actual outturn expenditure and income and has been prepared in conjunction with relevant budget holders.
1.2	The total approved budget for 2015/16 was £204.818m. This has been increased to £210.858m at the year end. The budget has increased by £6.040m in total since the budget was originally approved. (£1.210m since the period 10 report). Budget movements are detailed in Section 3.2 of this report.
2.	FINAL 2015/16 POSITION
2.1	<p>Against the revised full-year budget of £210.858m there is an actual overspend of £2.109m (1%). The main areas of overspend are within children's services £1.651m, prescribing £0.650m, physical disabilities £0.329m and learning disabilities £0.219m.</p> <p>The overspend within children's services is as a result of base line budget pressures of £0.770m which was unable to be addressed during 2015/16, unfunded costs pressures in relation to Kinship of £0.250m and the remaining balance of £0.631m relates to additional residential packages required to meet demand.</p> <p>Prescribing overspend by £0.650m and is linked to the cost of drugs and is fully explained at 2.2.5. Within physical disabilities an overspend of £0.329m has been incurred which mainly relates to spend on equipment necessary to keep people safe in the community and is fully explained at 2.2.3. The overspend within Learning Disability relates mainly to increased demand for services offset by a reduction in the cost of care services which are reflective of individual need. This has been further off-set by income generation and vacancy management.</p> <p>These overspends have been off-set by the delivery of underspends within other areas including general medical services of £0.180m, older people £0.163m and addiction services £0.109m.</p>
2.2	<u>Summary of main movements since last report</u>

	The overall position has deteriorated from a projected overspend of £1.255m (net of the ICF underspend) at the end of January to an actual overspend of £2.109m at the year end, an increase from the projected overspend of £0.854m. Significant movements since the last report are detailed below.
2.2.1	<u>Level One – Core – (total overspend of £0.769m an adverse movement of £1.050m since period 10)</u> Learning Disabilities, favourable movement of £0.214m as actual services delivered were below the commissioned level expected in the final months of the year.
2.2.2	Older People, adverse movement of £0.692m. This resulted in the services moving from a forecasted underspend at period 10 of £0.855m to a final underspend position of £0.163m. The main movements from period 10 were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care at Home Provided and Purchased - final position of £0.103m overspent which was an adverse movement of £0.287m since period 10. This was due to new employees being recruited between January and February as part of the ongoing investment approved through the IJB and funded from within existing Care at Home budgets to meet service demands. Service plans for recruitment had not been provided for inclusion within the projections at period 10. Costs include their period of induction, shadowing and then their ongoing work. In addition there was an increase in overtime costs. • Residential Care Homes – final position of £0.255m underspent which was an adverse movement of £0.188m. A number of changes to packages and recoveries from service users have taken place which could not have been predicted at period 10, totalling £0.094m. The balance relates to minor differences in the number of care packages projected. • Other Employee Costs – final position of £0.156m overspend which was an adverse movement of £0.165m. This related to a number of vacancies across several areas.
2.2.3	Physical Disabilities, adverse movement of £0.235m, resulting in a final overspend position of £0329m. As part of the management of the overall position it was agreed that a controlled management of this expenditure would be put in place to mitigate overspends projected as part of the period 10 position. As a result the projection was lowered at period 10. However due to the following circumstances equipment has been required to be procured which has meant that expenditure has continued closing at a similar position to previous years :- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide support required for end of life packages • complete adaptations that had started or had been committed to in writing prior to the tightened control on expenditure being put in place • maintain equipment and adaptations in situ and on which service users depend and • provide equipment deemed essential to support individuals and avoid hospital admissions
2.2.4	Mental Health Community Teams – favourable movement of £0.117m due to contract underspends and a reduction in care package spend.
2.2.5	Prescribing – an adverse movement of £0.483m after additional budget of £0.950m was allocated in period 12, resulting in a final position of £0.650m overspent. This is due to the average cost of drugs increasing as a result of the short supply of some items and a growth in price of some high cost drugs. The projected overspend for the costs of prescribing in primary care across the 3 partnerships had in previous reports been estimated £500,000. The projected overspend was reported evenly between the three partnerships. The impact of the higher cost per item results in the overspend increasing to £ 1.3m. When comparing this with each of the partnership prescribing budgets, the overspend arises entirely within the North HSCP.

	<p>The Integration Scheme states that prescribing will be managed by Health across the three HSCPs. To manage the increased overspend in 2015/16 additional funding from Health reserves have been applied to HSCP budgets of £0.4m and slippage on Primary Medical Budgets (related to the non-recurring unexpected allocation in 2015/16) has been partially diverted to contribute to the overspend. Emerging slippage within NA HSCP budgets have covered the balance of the prescribing overspend.</p>
2.2.6	<p>Resource transfer, Change Fund and Criminal Justice – an adverse movement of £0.115m. This was mainly due to an overspend in Criminal Justice services caused by additional spend in relation to training and supplies.</p>
2.2.7	<p><u>Level Three – Lead Partnership Services (total underspend £0.101m which is a £0.230m favourable movement.</u></p> <p>The improvement is due to the additional allocation of £0.230m of resource transfer previously held in an NHS reserve. This funding is earmarked for future discharges from the remaining adult mental health ward at Ailsa.</p>
2.2.8	<p><u>Level Four – Children’s Services</u></p> <p>There were no significant movements in Children’s Services from period 10 but this service area is the main area of overspend for the partnership. The overspend is as a result of base line budget pressures of £0.770m which was unable to be addressed during 2015/16, unfunded costs pressures in relation to Kinship of £0.250m and the remaining balance of £0.631m relates to additional residential packages required to meet demand. This pressure on budgets has been recognised as part of the 2016/17 revenue budget and additional investment has been targeted at this service area.</p>
2.3	<p><u>Detailed Actual vs Budget Analysis to 31st March 2016</u></p> <p>The summary in Appendix 1 reflects the approved budget and actual outturn across the Partnership, Appendix 1a details the main variances across all Partnership services and Appendix 2 details the Change Fund.</p>
2.3.1	<p>A recovery plan was approved by the IJB on 10th March 2016 following which the Council agreed (Cabinet 29th March 2016) to fund £1.255m of the 2015/16 cost pressures on a one off basis.</p> <p>However, the final outturn in respect of the Partnership increased to £2.109m. Options to fund the increased overspend were presented to Cabinet on 24th May 2016 where the Council agreed to fully fund the overspend.</p>
2.4	<p><u>Corrective Actions</u></p> <p>Due to the final outturn position being more overspent than projected a full investigation has been undertaken to understand the reasons for this increase and identify corrective action moving forward.</p> <p>This exercise has also been used to have a wider discussion on how to improve forecasting moving forward and the remedial actions identified are reflective of this wider consideration.</p> <p>The Action Plan resulting from the investigation is included at Appendix 3.</p> <p>The 2016/17 budget includes investment to meet the 2015/16 service pressures which had been previously identified. A full review of forecasts for 2016/17 is currently underway and they will be subject to a future report to the IJB.</p>
2.5	<p><u>Change Programme</u></p>

	<p>The Partnership was allocated £2.941m for 2015/16 from the Integrated Care Fund and £0.867m for Delayed Discharge. Spend against both of these programmes was monitored by the Senior Management Team and the Change Programme Board.</p> <p>Appendix 2 provides a summary of the actual spend on each fund.</p>																
3.	BUDGET REVIEW																
3.1	In year Savings Delivery																
3.1.1	<p>All agreed Council and Health efficiency savings for 2015/16 have already been removed from the Partnership budget. This section provides an update on progress in delivering those savings.</p> <p>The Council elements of the service had been targeted with delivering £2.619m of efficiency savings in 2015/16. At year end £2.570m was delivered. Only two of the agreed savings, both relating to Fostering services, totalling £0.114m, were not delivered in year.</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>Target</td><td>Achieved</td><td>Net</td></tr><tr><td>Delivered</td><td>2,505</td><td>2,570</td><td>(65)</td></tr><tr><td>Not Delivered</td><td>114</td><td>0</td><td>114</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>2,619</td><td>2,570</td><td>49</td></tr></table> <p>The agreed Health efficiency for 2015/16 was the planned closure of beds at Cumbrae Lodge. This took place in June 2015 as planned but the saving had been estimated for the full year. The impact of this for 2015/16 was a £60k shortfall in savings delivery which has been fully funded from delayed spend on the element of the Cumbrae Lodge savings which were retained by the Partnership.</p> <p>A full list of the 2015/16 savings removed from the 2015/16 budgets is detailed at Appendix 4 which also shows the year end position in delivering those savings.</p>		Target	Achieved	Net	Delivered	2,505	2,570	(65)	Not Delivered	114	0	114	Total	2,619	2,570	49
	Target	Achieved	Net														
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Not Delivered	114	0	114														
Total	2,619	2,570	49														
3.2	Budget Movements																
3.2.1	<p>In total the budget has increased by £6.040m (a further £1.210m since the period 10 report). Significant budget movements during the year include:</p> <p>Level One Core budgets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">£2.494m increase in the prescribing budget as a result of new funding from the Scottish Government and additional funding from the NHS BoardThe General Medical Services (GMS) budget has increased by £0.510m due to a higher than anticipated increase in the national GMS allocation.Mental health increase by £0.172m due to the transfer of the choose life allocation from Children’s Services budget, an increase in contribution to MHO post, and provision of funding for management posts£0.3m decrease in the resource transfer budget for funding that has now been allocated to NHS services (dementia nurses £0.240m and Arran £0.060m see below). £0.4m delayed discharge funding reallocated to Level Two for winter pressures.£0.334m decrease in the council budgets due to the pay award being lower than originally anticipatedAdditional funding of £0.291m received from the Scottish Government to address low pay in nursing homes£0.077m allocation received for the implementation of the carer’s information strategy.																

	Within Level One Core budgets virements between subjective headings within Older People and Physical Disabilities were approved in period 10 to align budgets with expenditure profile.
3.2.2	Non District General Hospital Budgets have increased by £0.178m due to £0.441m delayed discharge funding been utilised to address winter pressures, the agreed savings (£0.55m) for Cumbrae Lodge erroneously being deducted from the mental health budget instead of Ayrshire Central in the original budget (see below) and the Arran budget has increased for the intermediate care service now funded from resource transfer (£0.079m). In addition the community ward medical budget £0.128m has been funded from the delayed discharge allocation (originally included within resource transfer) and the Cumbrae Lodge budget has been increased by £0.088m non-recurringly from resource transfer.
3.2.3	<p>Lead Partnership Services Budget increases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the inclusion of budgets for Keepwell, trainee health visitors and dementia nurses £1.284m adjustment due to Cumbrae Lodge (see above) £0.274m inclusion of additional funding for psychiatry for junior doctor posts and discretionary points, CAMHs funding, suboxone allocation and the transfer of a post from public health to specialist addiction services £0.387m Recent addition of allocations for MH Innovation and QuEST £0.382m The provision of non-recurring funding for temporary nursing posts within adult inpatients totalling £0.093m.
3.2.4	<p>Children's Services budget increases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an increase of £0.558m from Scottish Government funding to meet the increase in Kinship Care rates and the additional duties detailed in the Children and Young Peoples (Scotland) Act 2014 for Looked After Children. there has also been an increase in the child protection allocation of £25k an increase of £79k in the health visiting budget for team leader posts additional funding for Child Protection £0.038m. <p>These budget increases have been partially offset by the pay award being lower than anticipated by £0.191m, the budgeted turnover saving increased by £0.050m, the Choose Life allocation of £0.065m moving to mental health community teams in Level One and contribution to a MHO post totalling £0.010m. £110k funding was transferred from the East HSCP for health visiting – the final realignment of the budget across HSCPs has still to be agreed.</p>
3.2.5	Direct Overhead and Support Services budgets have increased by £0.320m due to an additional £0.100m contribution from the NHS for partnership management costs and increases in council budget of £0.339m in respect of a revision to payroll turnover, pay awards, staff transferring from other services, living wage increase.
4.	LEAD PARTNERSHIP AND SET ASIDE BUDGETS
4.1	The Integration Scheme creates various Lead Partnership roles across the three Integration Joint Boards. Within the Integration Scheme, as with all delegated budgets, the intention is that services should be delivered within budget. Should that not be possible a recovery plan requires to be developed and approved by all the Joint Integration Boards. Failure to reach agreement will require interim additional contributions in proportion to service usage pending final agreement of the recovery plan.
4.2	It is important to understand the financial position of the budgets being managed by other Partnerships under these Lead Partnership arrangements:

	<p><u>East Ayrshire HSCP</u></p> <p>The Primary Care budgets had a full year underspend by £0.183m. There is a pressure on the out of hours medical services where new models of care are being tested at an initial higher cost. There are underspends within Community Dental Services largely from vacant posts and in addition there is an over-recovery of discount on dispensing costs.</p> <p><u>South Ayrshire HSCP</u></p> <p>The Allied Health Professionals (AHP) Service overspent in year by £0.161m after having identified corrective action in 2015/16 to reduce the level of overspend. The main sources of this overspend are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in funding being received from Local Authorities for community Speech and Language Therapy posts with the staff not yet redeployed. • Meeting an increased demand for MSK services. • Delays in meeting efficiency savings coupled with staff being higher on the incremental scale than the level funded. <p>The corrective action taken mainly related to minimising costs in respect of staffing applying strict rigour when posts become vacant including consideration of potential skill mix opportunities.</p> <p><u>North Ayrshire HSCP</u></p> <p>Specialist Mental Health Services had a full year underspend of £0.050m. The position improved from the 2014/15 outturn because of the non-recurring benefit in 2015-16 of additional MH allocations. The overspend in adult inpatients in both years is due to the continuing levels of nursing cover required to manage complex patients.</p> <p>Workforce plans have been reviewed with utilisation of the national workforce tool which has validated the existing gap in nursing WTE to facilitate enhanced observations. A proposal for fixed term staffing was approved by the Health Board CMT to reduce some of the overspend in 2015/16. Further review of work force will be undertaken in alignment with opening of new hospital (2016/2017); new service models and new ways of working will be implemented together with delivery of a 3 year change programme.</p>
4.3	<p>The Integration Scheme establishes that in year pressures in respect of Set Aside budgets will be managed in year by the Health Board, with any recurring over or underspend being considered as part of the annual budget setting process.</p> <p>The Acute Services with NHS Ayrshire & Arran are in a significant overspend (full year overspend was £8.5m) with particular issues around the costs of covering a high level of medical vacancies and the increasing needs of patients requiring nursing support above that funded. These pressures are being scrutinised and options developed to minimise costs.</p> <p>NHS Ayrshire & Arran are currently considering their position for 2016/17.</p>
5.	<p>Implications</p> <p>Financial</p> <p>The actual outturn for the year ended 31 March 2016 is an overspend of £2.109m.</p> <p>A recovery plan was approved by the IJB on 10th March 2016 following which the Council agreed (Cabinet 29th March 2016) to fund £1.255m of the 2015/16 cost pressures on a one off basis.</p> <p>However, the final outturn in respect of the Partnership increased to £2.109m. Options to fund the increased overspend were presented to North Ayrshire Council Cabinet on 24th May 2016. The Council agreed to fully fund the overspend.</p>

	<p>This was subject to the Partnership bringing forward a report early in 2016/17 providing further assurance that the Partnership will deliver services in 2016/17 within available resources.</p> <p>The 2016/17 budget includes investment to meet the 2015/16 service pressures which had been previously identified. A full review of forecasts for 2016/17 is currently underway and they will be subject to a future report to the IJB.</p>
	<p>Human Resources</p> <p>There are no human resource implications.</p>
	<p>Legal</p> <p>There are no legal implications.</p>
	<p>Equality</p> <p>There are no equality implications.</p>
	<p>Environmental & sustainability</p> <p>There are no environmental & sustainability implications.</p>
6.	CONSULTATIONS
6.1	<p>This report has been produced in consultation with relevant budget holders, the Partnership Senior Management Team and the Director of Finance for NHS Ayrshire and Arran and the Executive Director Finance and Corporate Support for North Ayrshire Council.</p>
7.	CONCLUSION
7.1	<p>The actual outturn is an overspend of £2.109m for 2015/16.</p> <p>It is recommended that the Health and Social Care Partnership note the content of this report, and note the action plan as noted in paragraph 2.4.</p>

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Partnership Budget Objective Summary	2015/16 Budget				2015/16 Budget	
	Aligned				Aligned	
	Budget	Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend Variance		Over/ (Under) Spend Variance at P10	Movement in projected budget variance from P10
	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000	£'000
Level One Core						
Learning Disabilities	15,625	15,844	219		433	(214)
Older people	41,483	41,320	(163)		(855)	692
Physical Disabilities	5,405	5,734	329		94	235
Mental Health Community Teams	5,436	5,437	1		118	(117)
Addiction	2,362	2,253	(109)		(76)	(33)
Community Nursing	3,754	3,761	7		31	(24)
Prescribing	30,049	30,699	650		167	483
General Medical Services	17,344	17,164	(180)		(93)	(87)
Resource Transfer, Change Fund, Criminal Justice	2,194	2,209	15		(100)	115
Total Level One	123,652	124,421	769		(281)	1,050
Level Two - Non District General Hospitals						
Ayrshire Central Continuing Care	4,359	4,257	(102)		(78)	(24)
Arran War Memorial Hospital	1,638	1,670	32		70	(38)
Lady Margaret Hospital	564	569	5		5	0
Total Level Two	6,561	6,496	(65)		(3)	(62)
Level Three - Lead Partnership Services						
Mental Health Services	45,012	44,962	(50)		199	(249)
Family Nurse partnership	479	477	(2)		0	(2)
Keepwell	435	365	(70)		(70)	0
Training Health Visitors	588	620	32		11	21
Other General Services	164	153	(11)		(11)	0
Total Level Three	46,678	46,577	(101)		129	(230)
Level Four - Children's Services						
Community Paediatrics	508	498	(10)		(7)	(3)
C&F Social Work Services	24,180	25,831	1,651		1,619	32
Health Visiting	1,981	2,017	36		63	(27)
Total Level Four	26,669	28,346	1,677		1,675	2
Direct Overheads & Support Services	7,298	7,127	(171)		(265)	94
Partnership Total Prior to Allocation of Additional Funds	210,858	212,967	2,109		1,255	854
Additional Funding from North Ayrshire Council	0	(2,109)	(2,109)			
Final 2015/16 Position	210,858	210,858	0			

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Partnership Budget Subjective Summary	2015/16 Budget			2015/16 Budget			2015/16 Budget		
	Council			Health			Aligned		
	Budget	Outturn	Variance	Budget	Outturn	Variance	Budget	Outturn	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Employee Costs	43,387	43,295	(92)	53,995	54,719	724	97,382	98,014	632
Property Costs	506	419	(87)	16	30	14	522	449	(73)
Supplies and Services	2,109	2,546	437	5,638	5,246	(392)	7,747	7,792	45
Prescribing Costs	0	0	0	30,049	30,699	650	30,049	30,699	650
Primary Medical Services	0	0	0	17,344	17,163	(181)	17,344	17,163	(181)
Transport and Plant	601	667	66	0	0	0	601	667	66
Admin Costs	1,259	1,292	33	1,921	1,724	(197)	3,180	3,016	(164)
Other Agencies & Bodies	54,206	56,306	2,100	8,971	8,600	(371)	63,177	64,906	1,729
Transfer Payments	1,845	2,069	224	9,358	9,167	(191)	11,203	11,236	33
Other Expenditure	102	181	79	0	0	0	102	181	79
Capital Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Income	(19,340)	(19,991)	(651)	(1,108)	(1,164)	(56)	(20,448)	(21,155)	(707)
Partnership Total Prior to the Alloca	84,674	86,783	2,109	126,184	126,184	0	210,858	212,967	2,109
Additional Funding from North Ayrshire Council	0	(2,109)	(2,109)	0	0	0	0	(2,109)	(2,109)
Final Position	84,674	84,674	0	126,184	126,184	0	210,858	210,858	0

Partnership Budget Objective Summary	2015/16 Budget Aligned			Notes	Aligned	
	Budget	Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend Variance		Over/ (Under) Spend Variance at P10	Movement in projected budget variance from P10
	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000	£'000
Level One Core						
Learning Disabilities	15,625	15,844	219	Residential packages have a year end overspend of £233k, a net increase of 3 placements during the year, with 45 placements at year end. Community Packages overspent by £321k, there has been a net increase of 27 placements during the year, with 234 placements at year end. This has been offset by an over recovery on income £193k and an underspend in employee costs £120k. This has been a favourable movement of £214k due to over projection of cost of placements. NHS vacancies in community teams continue to remain unfilled.	433	(214)
Older people	41,483	41,320	(163)	Care Homes/Care at Home (£0.163m underspend) Residential and nursing care placements underspend of £255k, due to occupancy levels at the start of the year less than budgeted. Shifting the balance of care from Care Homes to care at home has resulted in a care at home year end overspend of £102k. Employee costs are £156k overspend, due to additional posts and cover of Team Managers whilst on social work placements, within Care at Home Business Unit £170K due to additional posts covering absence etc, overspend on overtime payments of £35k. This is offset with an underspend in Day care employees £50k due to vacancies during the year. Income Income over recovered by £333k, mainly due to income received from charging orders for residential placements and £23k received from care at home providers for non compliance charges on CM2000 Other Budgets Payment to Other Bodies overspend of £100k due to £60k mobile phone costs for new care at home staff, £40k for care at home direct service provided by Allied Health care. Supplies and Services incurred an overspend of £87k due to £40k expenditure on staff uniforms due to staff transfer from private providers and £47k overspend on general office and cleaning supplies. Adverse movement of £576k from period 10 due to recruitment of 50 Care at home staff at a cost of £188k, additional overtime incurred as a result of deficit in TUPE'd staff and cover for sickness and annual leave at a cost of £82k. Within care homes an adverse movement of £60k due to change in the number of projected packages and £94k due to changes in care and funding of current packages. Employee costs £165k adverse due to staff vacancies being filled, overtime.	(855)	692
Physical Disabilities	5,405	5,734	329	Residential care packages overspend of £231k, a net increase of 3 placements during the year, with 40 placements at year end. Equipment store overspend of £206k due to demand of equipment necessary to keep people safe in the community. Offset with a £100k underspend in employee costs due to senior manager being budgeted in 15/16 however the costs were included in Health and a vacant SDS Manager post part year. The adverse movement of £235k due to increase in Equipment Store spend £200k and one new residential package and increase to another.	94	235

Partnership Budget Objective Summary	2015/16 Budget			Notes	Aligned	
	Aligned				Over/ (Under) Spend Variance at P10 £'000	Movement in projected budget variance from P10 £'000
	Budget	Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend Variance			
	£'000	£'000	£'000			
Mental Health Community Teams	5,436	5,437	1	Community packages overspend of £344k, a net increase of 14 placements during the year, with 94 placements at year end. Direct payments £63k overspend, a net increase of 3 placements, with 15 placements at year end. Offset within underspends in residential packages £122k, a net increase of 9 during the year, with 38 placements at year end, voluntary organisations underspend of £95k due to under occupancy at SAMH and less than expected spend on Preventative service, also employee vacancies during the year resulting in a £50k underspend. Favourable movement of £120k due to less than expected spend on Preventative service and SAMH Vacancies are in the process of being filled. Additional vacancies in EMH team has increased projected overspend.	118	(117)
Addiction	2,362	2,253	(109)	Underspend of £60k due to staff vacancies during the year offset with £60k overspend within supplies and services. Underspend arises from a number of vacancies at the start of the year which have now been filled.	(76)	(33)
Community Nursing	3,754	3,761	7	Community Nursing overspend has reduced during the year. There was an overspend earlier in the year due to District Nurse staff in post being above the funded establishment and increased costs in the provision of packages of care. The Senior Manager - Locality Services is currently reviewing the staffing levels in each locality to understand how unfunded posts have been appointed to and to clarify workforce requirements going forward. At the same time, the needs of those who require complex adult care packages have been reviewed during this year to determine the level of support required and the most efficient and effective manner of securing this, with the result that expenditure has decreased.	31	(24)
Prescribing	30,049	30,699	650	The average cost of drugs has increased due to the short supply of some drugs and an increase in other high cost drugs. Expenditure has been allocated across the 3 HSCPs in month 12 based on actual usage which has revealed that there is an overspend in North. A review is required to determine the cause of this overspend.	167	483
General Medical Services	17,344	17,164	(180)	The budget has been adjusted to reflect the annual allocation and expenditure now allocated based on each HSCPs use of GMS services. An assessment of spend against this budget has revealed a non-recurring benefit.	(93)	(87)
Resource Transfer, Change Fund, Criminal Justice	2,194	2,209	15	This was mainly due to an overspend in Criminal Justice services caused by additional spend in relation to training and supplies. Delay in allocation of Cumbrae Lodge resource transfer to following year releases a non-recurring benefit.	(100)	115
Total Level One	123,652	124,421	769		(281)	1,050

Partnership Budget Objective Summary	2015/16 Budget			Notes	Aligned	
	Aligned				Over/ (Under) Spend Variance at P10	Movement in projected budget variance from P10
	Budget	Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend Variance			
	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000	£'000
Level Two - Non District General Hospitals						
Ayrshire Central Continuing Care	4,359	4,257	(102)	<p>There continue to be issues with high occupancy, patients being more frail and high staff sickness levels across a number of wards. The promoting attendance policy has been applied rigorously in Pavilion 3 and staff have been supported in clarifying their roles and enhancing their skills and competencies. This is having a positive impact and while managers continue to deal with a small number of outstanding issues on an individual basis, it is necessary to utilise Bank and occasionally Agency staff to sustain a safe level of service. At the same time, the Pavilion 3 budget is under a historic pressure relating to former staff members who are being supported in finding alternative opportunities.</p> <p>While the management of sickness absence for Pavilion 6 continues to be undertaken by the South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership on a short-term basis to enable the flexible use of staffing within Biggart Hospital, the Senior Manager - Long-Term Care and their Service Manager will become more active within the unit to prepare staff for the return to the Ayrshire Central site. This will involve a significant Organisational Development input and it is anticipated that this will have a positive impact on the current pressures. In the meantime, Pavilion 6 continues to deliver a reduced level of service with only 26 of the 30 bed capacity being made available to support patient care. £415k of Delayed Discharge funding has been allocated non-recurringly for winter planning purposes and is offsetting the recurring overspend.</p>	(78)	(24)
Arran War Memorial Hospital	1,638	1,670	32		70	(38)
Lady Margaret Hospital	564	569	5		5	0
Total Level Two	6,561	6,496	(65)		(3)	(62)
Level Three - Lead Partnership Services						
Mental Health Services	45,012	44,962	(50)	<p>Lead partnership mental health services were underspent by £50k in 2015/16. The position has improved from the previous report due to the provision of £230k non-recurring resource transfer and an increase in the level of non-recurring MH Innovation and QuEST funding, both which were used within adult inpatient services to address increasing demand and acuity of patients. The overspend is incurred in the adult in-patient wards due to staff in post exceeding establishment as a result of high levels of constant observation and high sickness absence. Permission was given to recruit temporarily a number of staffing non-recurringly which reduced the level of overspend. It is anticipated that once services move to the new location of Woodland View in April 2016 the level of overspend will reduce as it is expected that the therapeutic and functional design of the wards in the new hospital will have an anticipated impact on the progress of patient recovery and support clinical/therapeutic interventions which may in turn result in a reduction in the frequency and longevity of enhanced observations post admission.</p>	199	(249)
Family Nurse partnership	479	477	(2)		0	(2)
Keepwell	435	365	(70)	<p>The funding for this service stops in 2016-17 and as a result staff have started to find alternative posts.</p>	(70)	0
Training Health Visitors	588	620	32	<p>The delay in trainees starting on the HV course from 2014-15 and delays in others completing their qualification has put pressure on the 2015-16 budget. Steps are being taken to bring the budget back into balance.</p>	11	21
Other General Services	164	153	(11)		(11)	0
Total Level Three	46,678	46,577	(101)		129	(230)

Partnership Budget Objective Summary	2015/16 Budget			Notes	Aligned	
	Aligned				Over/ (Under) Spend Variance at P10	Movement in projected budget variance from P10
	Budget	Outturn	Over/ (Under) Spend Variance			
	£'000	£'000	£'000			
Level Four - Children's Services						
Community Paediatrics	508	498	(10)		(7)	(3)
C&F Social Work Services	24,180	25,831	1,651	<p>Children with Disabilities This is the most significant area of overspend due to 4 new residential packages, 3 which started during 14/15 and 2 which started in 15/16 and one existing package. The overspend relating to these 6 packages is £632k, and residential respite overspend of £51k. Further overspends within Community packages, £177k and Direct Payments £230k.</p> <p>Residential Schools including Secure accommodation and Community Supports £0.030m overspend Residential schools overspend of £0.137m and community supports underspend of £0.107m .</p> <p>Fostering, Adoption and Kinship (£0.478m projected overspend) Fostering is overspend of £55k due to a delay in moving placements from external to internal carers in the first three months of the year, this has now been addressed and placements have been moved. Additional funding for Continuing Care and Throughcare of £290k was allocated in period 10 to fund foster placements for young people aged over 16 years old. Adoption placements and agency fees overspend of £174k, are higher than budgeted based on current demand. Kinship placements overspend of £250k, this is due to an increase in the Kinship rate of £58 to £200 per week in line with foster allowances. Following from recent financial assessments of the carers the average weekly cost is £134k. The cost of back dating the payments to the 1st of October is £549k, this is offset by £269k received from the Scottish Government and an existing underspend of £55k.</p> <p>Other Expenditure £0.089m overspend Agency costs of £105k overspend to cover vacancies offset with £30k underspend in employee costs, Family Support Network budget overspend of £40k and Standby Service overspend of £65k, Family Respite Services £110k overspend, Children First Advocacy £50k overspend, Staff mileage £26k overspend and supplies and services £34k due to food and provisions in residential schools and general office supplies offset with underspends in Throughcare and Care Leavers due to lower than anticipated demand £160k, IMPACCT carers £65k due to less than budgeted carers, staff training £93k.</p>	1,619	32
Health Visiting	1,981	2,017	36	There is currently an imbalance in the health visiting budget across the 3 HSCPs. An exercise is underway to redress this imbalance and it is assumed for the purposes of the projection that funding will be transferred to the North HSCP from another partnership. Funding was transferred non-recurringly in month 12 pending final agreement.	63	(27)
Total Level Four	26,669	28,346	1,677		1,675	2
Direct Overheads & Support Services	7,298	7,127	(171)	Allocation to CJ (£298k) - Underspend of £249k - Employee costs underspend of £181k due to holding of vacancies, over recoveries of income from Universities for Practice Teachers £25k, underspend within Money Matters and Service Development team for consultancy costs £70k, underspends in computer equipment £35k offset with £33k less income than budgeted from Health for share of Senior Management posts, overspend on Citizens Advice Service £11k and general office supplies £6k Agreement has been given by the NHS to provide additional funding for partnership management. The CD post remains unfunded.	(265)	94
Partnership Total	210,858	212,967	2,109		1,255	854

Integrated Care Fund

Area of Spend	2015/16 Allocation £ 000's	2015/16 Spend £ 000's	2015/16 Variance £ 000's
Ideas and Innovation Fund	1,042	852	(190)
Reshaping Care for Older People Legacy	993	1,134	141
Change Programme	802	688	(114)
Contingency	104	10	(94)
Care at Home	0	197	197
Equipment	0	60	60
TOTAL	2,941	2,941	0

Delayed Discharge Allocation

Area of Spend	2015/16 Allocation £ 000's	2015/16 Spend £ 000's	2015/16 Variance £ 000's
Rehab and Reablement	229	152	(77)
Aids and Adaptations	19	0	(19)
Care at Home	603	177	(426)
Community Equipment		93	93
Contingency	16	0	(16)
Winter Pressures		445	445
TOTAL	867	867	0

NORTH AYRSHIRE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

ACTION PLAN

Action	Older People - Care at Home Provided and Purchased
Action Description	To improve the information available to inform projections and ensure the data provided reflects the services commissioned and the resources required to meet these services.
Risk	If inadequate information is provided this will impact on the accuracy of projections.
Management Action	Information will be provided on services commissioned from CM2000 for use within projections. Budget holders will augment this information by providing Finance and Corporate Support with other supporting information to inform projections including changes to service provision and workforce issues.
Assigned to	Head of Health and Community Care
Due Date	31 May 2016

Action	Older People - Care at Home Provided and Purchased
Action Description	To ensure budget holders have clarity on the budgets available for service delivery.
Risk	Overspend position continues into 2016/17 which places a pressure on Partnership budgets.
Management Action	<p>The following actions will be undertaken to mitigate this risk:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The budget will be reviewed and updated to reflect current service provision including new services transferred from the private sector. This will provide budget holders with clarity on the budget available for service delivery including workforce budgets set. Budget holders will be expected to manage within budgets. • A group will be established chaired by the Head of Health and Community Care to review overtime and absence levels across the service area.

Assigned to	Head of Health and Community Care Chief Finance Officer
Due Date	15 June 16

Action	Older People - Residential Care Homes
Action Description	To ensure targets are set which reflect the budgets available for 2016/17.
Risk	Budget savings identified in this budget area for 2016/17 are not delivered which places a pressure on Partnership budgets.
Management Action	<p>The following actions will be undertaken to mitigate this risk:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 16/17 budget will be updated to reflect current contract rates, current service information in relation to placements and targets in relation to current transformational programmes. Targets for placements will be set based on this information and to ensure expenditure is contained within budgets available. • Monthly projections will be informed by Central Area Resource Group (CARG) approvals, current demand for services and forecasts of future demand and costs based on the information available. • The format of forecasts will be reviewed to assist budget management by the budget holder.
Assigned to	Head of Health and Community Care Chief Finance Officer
Due Date	20 June 16

Action	Employee Costs
Action Description	To improve the information available to inform projections and ensure the data provided reflects the services commissioned and the resources required to meet these services.
Risk	If inadequate information is provided as the basis for projections this will impact on the accuracy of projections.
Management Action	The following actions will be undertaken to mitigate this risk:-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information will be provided by the Partnership to Finance and Corporate Support on overtime worked but not yet charged to enable this to be built into projections. The Partnership will provide information on recruitment decisions to Finance and Corporate Support to inform employee cost projections.
Assigned to	Chief Finance Officer Head of Children, Families and Criminal Justice Head of Health and Community Care Head of Mental Health
Due Date	31 May 16

Action	Physical Disabilities - Independent Living Services
Action Description	To enable 2016/17 budgets to be managed within budget set.
Risk	Overspend position continues into 2016/17 which places a pressure on Partnership budgets.
Management Action	A review of current expenditure to be undertaken to determine trends and to identify control actions which can be undertaken to enable spend to be contained within budget set. If this is not feasible a report will be presented to the IJB to consider alternative funding solutions.
Assigned to	Head of Health and Community Care
Due Date	30 June 16

Action	Learning Disability and Mental Health
Action Description	To improve the information available to inform projections and ensure the data provided reflects the services commissioned and the resources required to meet these services.
Risk	If inadequate information is provided as the basis for projections this will impact on the accuracy of projections.
Management Action	Future projections will be produced using information recorded on Carefirst which records information on the commissioned

	service and the actual service delivered. This will be used to inform future projections.
Assigned to	Chief Finance Officer
Due Date	31 May 2016

Action	Improvement to Budget Monitoring Processes
Action Description	To improve the information available to inform projections and ensure the data provided reflects the services commissioned and the resources required to meet these services.
Risk	If inadequate information or management information is provided as the basis for projections this will impact on the accuracy of projections.
Management Action	<p>The following actions will be undertaken to mitigate this risk:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All budget holders to sign off the basis of projections at the start of each financial year. • Additional support to be offered to budget holders in relation to budget management, where required, including advice and guidance on the operating parameters on which budgets are set. • Council budgets will be subject to early projections undertaken at the end of Period 2 to enable early engagement in relations to budgets for 2016/17. • Budget projections prepared each period will be signed off by each budget holder including a statement on the agreed actions to be undertaken to bring spend within budget. • More detailed budget monitoring will be introduced for P11 and P12 to provide management information to enable tighter budget management prior to financial close.
Assigned to	<p>Chief Finance Officer</p> <p>Head of Children, Families and Criminal Justice</p> <p>Head of Health and Community Care</p> <p>Head of Mental Health</p>
Due Date	31 March 2017

HSCP 2015/16 Savings Tracker

Appendix 4

Budget Savings	Senior Manager	Reference	2015/16	Full Year Saving Delivered	Anticipated Shortfall	BRAG	Comment
			£	Saving		Status	
Health and Social Care Partnership							
Staff turnover baseline budget saving based on historic trends	ALL	SP-HSC-23	298,000	298,000		Blue	Staff turnover will be achieved
Mental Health Care Package baseline budget adjustment based on historic underspends	Dale Mellor	SP-HSC-24	200,000	200,000	-	Blue	Review of care packages and temporary decreases to packages has resulted in savings of £260k
Increase the administrative charge for Criminal Justice Service to 8%	David MacRitchie	SP-HSC-15	112,000	32,000	-	Blue	Admin charge allocated at year end to Section 27 Grant. Charge increased at end of FY14/15 to bring in line with 8% overhead allocation. Actual charge was 6%, £80k less than expected
Reduction through early intervention in the demand for foster care and alternative family placements	Elizabeth Stewart	SP-HSC-08	83,200		83,200	Red	Saving not achieved, no reduction in internal foster placements during the year
Children with Disabilities - improved procurement for provision of community support services.	Elizabeth Stewart	SP-HSC-09	25,000	25,000		Blue	Achieved through reduction of budget for community supports provided by supported carers
Realignment of foster care services from external to in-house carer provision	Elizabeth Stewart	SP-HSC-11	91,520	60,833	30,687	Blue	Full savings not achieved due to placements not moved until July, anticipated to be before April 15, in order to achieve full year savings
Efficiency savings which will accrue through the implementation of the CM2000 system.	Helen McArthur	SP-SS-13-18	200,000	200,000		Blue	Savings not achieved through use of CM2000, savings have been reallocated and expected to be delivered from various other budgets as detailed in 16/17 plans eg. savings to overtime expenditure and training budgets
The full implementation of CM2000 will enable the management of more efficient services, delivering a 15% saving, in line with other local authorities	Helen McArthur	SP-HSC-04	200,000	200,000		Blue	Savings not be achieved through use of CM2000, savings have been reallocated and expected to be delivered from various other budgets as detailed in 16/17 plans eg. savings to overtime expenditure and training budgets

Review information systems team	Janine Hunt		SP-SS-13-09	30,092	30,092		Blue	Post given up in C & F to fund trainer post within carefirst team
Review of Partnership support functions	Janine Hunt		SP-HSC-03	50,000	50,000		Blue	Saving achieved through grade 10 post no. 309809 replaced with Grade 7 (0.6FTE) post no. 311712, balance identified by business support.
Review of block contracted services - including George Steven Centre	John McCaig		SP-SS-13-29	14,846	-		Red	Saving will not be achieved, review of Block Contract was achieved in 2013/14. NAC utilising more places than block contract, therefore additional costs are being incurred. Additional savings from review of high cost care packages in SP-SS-13-42 will be achieved to offset non delivery of this saving
Rationalisation of Local Area Coordinator posts	John McCaig		SP-SS-13-35	45,875	45,875	-	Blue	Savings achieved prior year
Redesign of Council LD Day Services	John McCaig		SP-SS-13-31	122,900	122,900	-	Blue	Savings achieved prior year
Review of high cost care packages	John McCaig		SP-SS-13-42	100,000	260,000		Blue	Review plan in place, savings have been achieved though temporary and permanent reductions to care packages
Review of complex packages of care for individuals with a Learning Disability	John McCaig		SP-HSC-07	50,000	50,000		Blue	High Cost care packages currently being reviewed
Additional income from charges. The actual income received is greater than the amount budgeted and the budget is being amended to reflect the actual position	John McCaig - Charging Policy		SP-SS-13-04	41,000	41,000		Blue	Increase in charge for Dirrans Head Injuries Unit has been implemented with East Ayrshire Council resulting in achieving income savings
Increase in Income Budget. Revision of base budget to reflect inflation increases and improvements to the charging process to ensure charges are implemented according to the policy.	John McCaig - Charging Policy		SP-HSC-13	100,000	100,000		Blue	Income to date projecting an over recovery
Review Assessment and Care Management staff within Older People	Mary Francey		SP-SS-11-29	100,668	100,668		Blue	£67k achieved through restructure Nov 13, balance to be achieved. Post has been identified awaiting on confirmation from Mary
Review of purchased service contracts - including supported living	Mary Francey		SP-SS-13-38	108,000	108,000		Blue	Savings achieved through review of care packages and temporary decreases
Older People - Review of support offered to individuals through admission to Hospital and the planning of discharges back to community settings to improve the quality of support and ensure greater continuity.	Mary Francey		SP-HSC-10	40,000	40,000		Blue	Post identified awaiting confirmation from Mary

Transport Savings - introduction of a central transport hub, taking over responsibility for the management and utilisation of all journey provision, will enable a 10% saving across the Council's fleet	n/a		SP-SS-13-05	6,000	6,000	-	Blue	
Rationalisation of the Family Support services across North Ayrshire linked to the Dartington research work	Stephen Brown		SP-HSC-22	50,000	50,000		Blue	Reduction of Family Network service from Quarriers
Cumbrae Lodge	Isabel Marr		NHS	550,000	550,000	-	Blue	Beds didn't close until June
Total for Health and Social Care Partnership				2,619,101	2,570,368	113,887	-	-

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE FOUR MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2015

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance	Note No
	£000	£000	£000		
Health and Social Care Partnership - NAC	12,384	12,384			
Financing Charges	-3,744	-3,691	53	-1%	
Transfer to Earmarked Reserves	5,630	5,630	-	0%	
Aggregate External Finance	-277,997	-277,804	193	0%	1
Council Tax	-45,960	-47,516	(1,556)	3%	2
Use of Change Fund	-877	-877	-	0%	
Use of Earmarked Funds	-2,288	-2,288	-	0%	
Pension Fund Account	-9,149	-9,149	-		
Totals	-322,001	-323,311	(1,310)	0%	

Note 1 Aggregate External Finance

This underrecovery is mainly as a result of discretionary relief applied to Non Domestic rated properties.

Note 2 Council Tax

Income from Council Tax over recover by £1.4m. This is mainly due to the value of council tax reductions (£1.081m) being less than the budget provided cash collected for older debt (£0.207m) which had previously been written off.

Carried Forward Funds to 2016-17	Approved at Period 10	Amendments Proposed	Final Carry Forward
	£000	£000	£000
Employability Match Funding	536		536
Revenues and Benefits - External Funded Posts	50	74	124
Scottish Welfare Fund		99	99
Employability Projects	822		822
SPIN Project	84		84
Developing the Young Workforce	300	23	323
ICT Computer Replacement Programme	75	47	122
New Qualifications	27		27
Property Maintenance Budget	242	(150)	92
Waste Transfer Station Arran	55	(55)	-
Largs Car Park		66	66
Roads Winter Maintenance		157	157
APC Termination Costs		68	68
Roughsleepers Grant		25	25
Participatory Budgeting		89	89
Irvine Bay Regeneration Projects		131	131
Scottish Golf Open		75	75
Garnock Valley Charrette project		23	23
Records Store		129	129
Elections		126	126
Healthy Working Lives		10	10
Community Justice Funding		49	49
Capital - Enhancing the Learning Environment in Secondary Schools	1,973		1,973
Totals	4,164	986	5,150

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT
BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Objective Summary	Annual Budget	Final Year End Outturn	Annual Variance Adverse or (Favourable)	% variance
	£000	£000	£000	
Employee Costs	4,843	4,767	(76)	(2%)
Property Costs				
Responsive Repairs	3,883	3,710	(173)	(4%)
Void Repairs	2,963	2,941	(22)	(1%)
Planned & Cyclical maintenance	6,360	6,385	25	0%
Estate Based Projects	751	665	(86)	(11%)
Roads & Lighting Maintenance	179	102	(77)	(43%)
Aids & adaptations	1,776	1,545	(231)	(13%)
Other property costs	1,645	1,706	61	4%
Supplies and Services	199	213	14	7%
Transport and Plant Costs	44	39	(5)	(11%)
Administration Costs	1,647	1,591	(56)	(3%)
Other Agencies & Bodies	2,148	2,161	13	1%
Transfer Payments	133	239	106	80%
Other Expenditure	679	410	(269)	(40%)
Capital Financing	19,383	18,048	(1,335)	(7%)
Gross Expenditure	46,634	44,522	(2,112)	(5%)
Income				
Council House Rents	(44,888)	(44,705)	183	(0%)
Other Rents	(326)	(368)	(42)	13%
Recharges	(1,420)	(1,311)	109	(8%)
Net Expenditure	0	(1,862)	(1,862)	

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BUDGETARY CONTROL 2015/16

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Budget £000	Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
	Note 1		Employee Costs
			Movement - There have been no significant movements since period 10.
4843	(76)	-2%	There is an underspend on employee costs of £0.076m due to effective vacancy management.
	(76)		
	Note 2		Property Costs
			Movement - There underspend has increased by £0.387m since period 10 largely due to lower completed planned works than projected at period 10.
17,557	(503)	-3%	There is an underspend on property costs of £0.503m. This is partly as a result of an underspend in responsive repairs of £0.173m. Continuing from last year's trend there is a reduction in the number of jobs and average value per job in response repairs. This is as a result of the continued strategy to adopt a planned approach to repairs to reduce the number of responsive repairs. The underspend in void repairs is due to a reduction in the number of void properties during the year. In addition there is an underspend on equipment and adaptations of £0.231m. A review of the equipment & adaptations is currently being undertaken by the Health & Social Care Partnership. That review complements a process review undertaken by Housing Services over the last year. The combined output of these exercises will help ensure that full budget spend can be achieved in future years.
	(503)		
	Note 3		Administration costs
			Movement - This is a new variance since Period 10 and is largely due to underspends in telephone costs and staff training
1,647	(56)	-3%	Underspend of £0.056m includes an underspend in relation to telephone calls and rentals £0.027m and lower staff training costs of £0.017m.
	(56)		
	Note 4		Transfer Payments
133	106	80%	Disturbance Allowances - There was an overspend on disturbance allowance due to an increase in the number of properties where works are carried out.
	106		
	Note 5		Other Expenditure
			Movement - There has been a increase in the underspend of £0.057m as a result of higher collection levels resulting in less requirement for write-offs.
679	(269)	-40%	There was an underspend of £0.270m largely attributable to lower arrears write off (£0.267m). Collection levels were 100.44% (in relation to both current and former tenants), which was higher than anticipated and based on this there was less requirement for write-offs.
	(269)		
	Note 6		Capital Financing
			Movement - The underspend has increased by £0.061m since P10 due to the HRA capital expenditure being lower than previously projected.
19,383	(1,335)	-7%	There is an underspend in loan charges of £1.335m due to the availability and continued use of internal funds instead of new borrowing

Budget £000	Variance £000	Variance as % of budget	Section
(1,335)			
Note 7			Council House Rents
			Movement - There has been no significant movement since Period 10
(44,888)	183	0%	There is an under-recovery of income of £0.183m due to the demolition of houses as a result of the acceleration of new house building projects. In terms of available rent collection the service achieved a collection level of 100.44% which includes recovery of arrears in relation to former tenants.
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Note 8			Other Recharges
			Movement - The income received has reduced by £0.187m since period 10. This is largely attributable to lower insurance recoveries and tenant recharges. Offset by underspends in repairs.
(1,420)	109	-8%	There is an under- recovery of income mainly in relation to a reduced level of work carried out resulting in lower tenant charges. This is off-set by an underspend in repairs.
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Note 9			Other
2,066	(21)	-1%	Other Minor Movements
(21)			
(1,862)			TOTAL

Budget £000	Variance £000	Variance as % of budget						
Section								
HRA reserves and balances			B/fwd from 2014/15	Period 10 Revenue	Use of Earmarked sums	Earmarking of in year surplus	Funding of Capital Projects	Estimated Bal at 31/03/16
			£m	£m	£m		£m	£m
Council House Building Fund			4.266	-	0.000	2.000	(0.492)	5.774
Welfare Reform			3.000	-	0.000		0.000	3.000
Contingency Balance			0.400	-	0.000	0.600	0.000	1.000
Estate Based Projects			0.040		(0.040)	0.000	0.000	0.000
Sheltered Housing Unit Works			0.150		(0.150)	0.439	0.000	0.439
Infrastructure Improvements			0.000		0.000	0.653	0.000	0.653
Major Refurbishment Works			1.300			0.000		1.300
Software Upgrades			0.020		(0.020)			0.000
Uncommitted Balance			1.887	1.862	0.000	(3.692)	0.000	0.057
			11.063	1.862	(0.210)	0.000	(0.492)	12.223

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	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE									
Economy & Communities									
Regeneration	7,359,000	1,367,843	99,160	(3,218,626)	5,607,377	5,793,497	186,120	(181,968)	368,088
Strategic Planning & Infrastructure	1,227,000	640,480	1,986,500	(1,617,797)	2,236,183	1,930,369	(305,814)	(1,614)	(304,200)
Sport & Activity	14,696,000	822,716	0	(5,008,482)	10,510,234	10,528,761	18,527	0	18,527
Information & Culture	523,000	161,672	0	129,817	814,489	401,773	(412,716)	(1,772)	(410,944)
SUB TOTAL	23,805,000	2,992,711	2,085,660	(9,715,088)	19,168,283	18,654,400	(513,883)	(185,354)	(328,529)
Education & Youth Employment									
Nursery Education	2,461,000	1,283,497	0	(2,876,088)	868,409	767,457	(100,953)	3,362	(104,315)
Primary Schools	186,000	329,692	0	(180,836)	334,856	290,724	(44,132)	(234)	(43,898)
Secondary Schools	5,650,000	(231,654)	0	12,784,325	18,202,671	18,570,384	367,713	0	367,713
Special Education	511,000	(2,874)	0	(505,126)	3,000	2,794	(206)	(206)	0
SUB TOTAL	8,808,000	1,378,661	0	9,222,275	19,408,936	19,631,359	222,422	2,922	219,500
Finance & Corporate Support									
Financial Services	63,000	158,016	0	(97,174)	123,842	123,842	0	0	0
Information Technology	430,000	367,368	0	(417,424)	379,944	445,791	65,847	0	65,847
Council IT Strategy	772,000	(21,554)	0	(224,356)	526,090	468,561	(57,529)	0	(57,529)
SUB TOTAL	1,265,000	503,830	0	(738,954)	1,029,876	1,038,193	8,318	0	8,318
Health & Social Care									
Management & Support	0	427,580	0	(327,580)	100,000	32,476	(67,524)	0	(67,524)
Older People	2,300,000	108,197	0	(2,252,876)	155,321	142,845	(12,476)	0	(12,476)
Physical or Sensory Disabled	0	53,636	0	(16,120)	37,516	38,050	534	534	0
SUB TOTAL	2,300,000	589,413	0	(2,596,576)	292,837	213,370	(79,466)	534	(80,000)
Place									
Roads	5,328,000	813,104	0	(873,162)	5,267,942	4,717,675	(550,267)	0	(550,267)
Office Accommodation	1,800,000	503,431	0	(347,535)	1,955,896	2,114,109	158,212	0	158,212
Other Property	2,129,000	393,432	0	(292,512)	2,229,920	2,369,173	139,253	0	139,253
Housing Non HRA	720,000	22,049	0	(723,682)	18,367	0	595,742	0	595,742
Streetscene	1,456,000	541,301	0	(1,666,992)	330,309	326,835	(3,473)	(2,510)	(963)
Transport	2,000,000	(254)	0	0	1,999,746	1,997,388	(2,358)	0	(2,358)
Waste Services	900,000	595,631	0	(228,908)	1,266,723	2,722,990	1,456,267	0	1,456,267
Building Services	0	0	0	40,000	40,000	39,620	(380)	0	(380)
Renewable Energy	1,200,000	557,021	0	504,050	2,261,071	2,232,634	(28,439)	0	(28,439)
Cleaning Client	300,000	0	0	(175,000)	125,000	132,208	7,208	0	7,208
SUB TOTAL	15,833,000	3,425,715	0	(3,763,741)	15,494,974	16,652,631	1,771,765	(2,510)	1,774,275
Other									
Other	0			61,015	61,015	0	(61,015)	(61,015)	
SUB TOTAL	0	0	0	61,015	61,015	0	(61,015)	(61,015)	0
Total Project Expenditure	52,011,000	8,890,330	2,085,660	(7,531,069)	55,455,921	56,189,953	1,348,141	(245,423)	1,593,564
Total Project Income	(52,011,000)	(8,890,330)	(2,085,660)	7,531,069	(55,455,921)	(56,189,953)	(1,348,141)	245,423	(1,593,564)
Total Net Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	118

Capital Programme Funding

Funding Description	Approved Budget	Carry Forward from 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions to Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Income to 31 March 2016
	£	£		£	£	£
CAPITAL BORROWING						
Prudential Borrowing	29,218,955	6,355,945		(7,839,708)	27,735,192	29,826,541.34
SUB TOTAL	29,218,955	6,355,945	0	(7,839,708)	27,735,192	29,826,541
SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT FUNDING						
Specific Capital Grants						
Cycling / Walking /Safer Streets	207,000				207,000	207,000
Capital Grants						
General Capital Grant	15,984,000		(350,000)	-614,109	15,019,891	15,019,366
Irvine Enterprise Area				934,000	934,000	934,000
SUB TOTAL	16,191,000	0	(350,000)	319,891	16,160,891	16,160,366
OTHER INCOME TO PROGRAMME						
Use of Funds						
Capital Fund						
General		(897,000)		897,000	0	
Garnock Academy	1,000,000				1,000,000	1,000,000
Largs Campus				565,772	565,772	611,728
Saltcoats Town Hall	538,000				538,000	538,000
Brodick Harbour Development	1,200,000				1,200,000	1,200,000
Montgomerie Park Masterplan						
B714 Upgrade						
Change & Service Redesign Fund						
Capacity Planning (Storage)		4,955		(4,955)	0	
Wireless Access in Schools	220,214			(13,965)	206,249	220,214
Managed WAN Services	302,501	83,854		(80,000)	306,355	244,489
IPT Telephony	80,955			(55,691)	25,264	17,583
Local Area Network	176,584				176,584	176,584
Streetscene Scheduling		1,279		(1,279)	0	
Cunninghame House - Time Clock System		55,000			55,000	17,313
Cunninghame house Phase 2						37,687
Care First Development / CM2000		172,238		(102,238)	70,000	5,796
Home Care System		142,406		(112,406)	30,000	26,680
CFCR						
General CFCR			350,000	(21,997)	328,003	328,005
Defibrillators		150,126		(26,284)	123,842	123,842
Customer Contact Centre		134,209		(2,442)	131,767	131,767
Hayocks PS Nursery Adapts				83,000	83,000	83,000
Irvine Royal Academy/College				0	0	
Building Services IT System				40,000	40,000	39,620
Records Unit Replacement				0	0	
Bartonholm HWRC				69,587	69,587	69,587
Acess Paths Network				(4,000)	-4,000	-4,000
Irvine Leisure Centre	240,000			14,500	254,500	254,500
Community Development Fund				(86,250)	(86,250)	-86,250
Stevenston Library Hub				128,090	128,090	120,010
Eglinton Park Car Park				50,000	50,000	48,701
Grants & Contributions						
SFT Funding Garnock Campus & Largs Campus						
SPT Funding - Roads		835,812		(425,812)	410,000	410,290
Historic Scotland - Saltcoats Town Hall		125,000		0	125,000	87,588
Restoration Grant - Saltcoats Town Hall		95,027			95,027	95,027
Big Coastal Communities Grant - Tourism Infrastructure			99,160		99,160	83,436
Highlands & Islands - Millport Field Centre		763,255			763,255	694,791
Millport Pier						
SPT Funding - Plugged In Places		151,000		(18,259)	132,741	132,741
Access Paths - Sustrans	660,000	560,224	1,203,000	(1,342,500)	1,080,724	750,000
SPT Funding - A841 Brodick to Lochranza			700,000		700,000	699,040
SPT Funding -Hawthill Roundabout			13,500		13,500	13,215
SPT Funding - Arran Bridges Signage			0		0	
SPT Funding - Irvine Town Centre Bus			50,000		50,000	50,000
SPT Funding -Bus Corridor Improvements			0	41,877	41,877	41,877
SPT Funding - Bus Route UTC			20,000		20,000	19,630
Irvine Leisure Centre - AV Funding (application to be made)	125,000			(125,000)	0	
West Kilbride CA - Gym extension					0	12,398
Capital Receipts	2,057,791	157,000	0	522,000	2,736,791	1,908,157
Sale of Land and Buildings	2,017,791	157,000			2,174,791	720,771
Sale of Vehicles	40,000				40,000	74,823
Insurance Recoveries (Vehicles)					0	21,792
Montgomerie Park Masterplan				522,000	522,000	1,090,772
SUB TOTAL	6,601,045	2,534,385	2,435,660	-11,252	11,559,838	10,203,045
TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME FUNDING	52,011,000	8,890,330	2,085,660	(7,531,069)	55,455,921	56,189,953

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ECONOMY & COMMUNITIES

CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE										
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ECONOMIC GROWTH										
Regeneration										
TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE	194,758	20,000	(839)	99,160		118,321	105,010	(13,311)		(13,311)
IRVINE ENTERPRISE AREA	52,433	2,960,000	287,567		(338,011)	2,909,556	2,727,588	(181,968)	(181,968)	0
TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION	587,028	1,129,000	(78,385)		(880,615)	170,000	94,193	(75,807)		(75,807)
MILLPORT FIELD CENTRE	1,839,802		1,161,021			1,161,021	1,067,681	(93,340)		(93,340)
BRODICK HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT		1,200,000				1,200,000	1,200,000	0		0
MONTGOMERIE PARK MASTERPLAN	22,201	50,000	(1,521)			48,479	599,025	550,546		550,546
IRVINE BAY REGEN CO ASSETS		1,500,000			(1,500,000)	0	0	0		0
Total Regeneration	3,462,469	7,359,000	1,367,843	99,160	(3,218,626)	5,607,377	5,793,497	186,120	(181,968)	368,088
Strategic Planning & Infrastructure										
CYCLING/WALKING/SAFER STREETS	83,796	207,000			(207,000)	0	0	0		0
ACCESS PATH NETWORK PROGRAMME	2,484,407	660,000	560,224	1,203,000	(1,139,500)	1,283,724	979,767	(303,957)		(303,957)
CAR PARK STRATEGY		360,000	(35,097)		(278,903)	46,000	45,757	(243)		(243)
A841 BRODICK TO LOCHRANZA				700,000		700,000	699,040	(960)	(960)	0

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HAWKHILL ROUNDABOUT				13,500		13,500	13,215	(285)	(285)	0
IRVINE TOWN CENTRE BUS				50,000		50,000	50,000	0		0
BUS CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS				0	41,877	41,877	41,877	0		0
BUS ROUTE UTC				20,000		20,000	19,630	(370)	(370)	0
Total Strategic Planning & Infrasturture	2,666,685	1,227,000	640,480	1,986,500	(1,617,797)	2,236,183	1,930,369	(305,814)	(1,614)	(304,200)
CONNECTED COMMUNITIES										
Sports & Activity										
LARGS SPORTS DEVELOPMENT	227,751	56,000	16,249		(72,249)	0	0	0		0
IRVINE LEISURE CENTRE	2,988,244	14,640,000	806,467		(4,936,233)	10,510,234	10,528,761	18,527		18,527
MAGNUM CENTRE DEMOLITION						0	0	0		0
Total Sports & Activity	3,750,940	14,696,000	822,716	0	(5,008,482)	10,510,234	10,528,761	18,527	0	18,527
Information & Culture										
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND		300,000	177,473		(226,250)	251,223	0	(251,223)		(251,223)
CASTLES & HISTORIC MONUMENTS		223,000	(49,841)		(24,879)	148,280	0	(148,280)		(148,280)
WEST KILBRIDE CC GYMNASIUM	668,465				7,365	7,365	0	(7,365)		(7,365)
ARDROSSAN CASTLE	94,038		42,120		25,491	67,611	64,566	(3,045)		(3,045)
KERELAW CASTLE	84,987					0	(1,772)	(1,772)	(1,772)	0
STEVENSTON LIBRARY HUB	8,080		(8,080)		128,090	120,010	120,010	0		0
EGLINTON PARK CAR PARK WORKS					220,000	220,000	218,701	(1,299)		(1,299)
ST BRIDE'S CHAPEL, ARRAN						0	0	0		0
KILBIRNIE LIBRARY HUB						0	268	268		268
Total Information & Cultural	2,312,151	523,000	161,672	0	129,817	814,489	401,773	(412,716)	(1,772)	(410,944)
Total Economy & Communities	12,192,246	23,805,000	2,992,711	2,085,660	(9,715,088)	19,168,283	18,654,400	(513,883)	(185,354)	(328,529)

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EDUCATION & YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

Project Description	Prior Years' Cumulative Expenditure	Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE					
					Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/ (Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
Nursery Education										
EARLY YEARS CHILDRENS BILL	64,516				(3,335)	(3,335)	0	3,335	3,335	0
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S BIL		716,000	30,360		(746,360)	0	0	0		0
ARDEER PS NURSERY ADAPTS	14,681				6,924	6,924	6,487	(437)	(437)	0
CALEDONIA PS NURSERY ADAPTS	14,457		22,017		9,778	31,795	31,795	0		0
ST BRIDGETS PS NURSERY ADAPTS	60,400				803	803	803	0		0
HAYOCKS PS NURSERY ADAPTS	4,053		8,821		193,414	202,235	202,747	512		512
GLENCAIRN PS NURSERY ADAPTS	14,082		39,582		46,908	86,490	86,490	0		0
LOUDOUN-MONTG'Y PS NURSY ADAP	3,467		129,701		(125,651)	4,050	800	(3,250)		(3,250)
ST JOHN OGILVIE PS NURSY ADAP	15,353				226,605	226,605	228,565	1,960		1,960
EARLY LEARNING & CHILDCARE		1,745,000	803,016		(2,472,793)	75,223	0	(75,223)		(75,223)
GARNOCK CAMPUS EY ADAPTS			250,000		(250,000)	0	0	0		0
PENNYBURN PS NURSERY ADAPTS	616				13,504	13,504	13,504	0		0
DYKESMAINS PS NURSERY ADAPTS	859				65,848	65,848	65,479	(369)		(369)
WEST KILBRIDE PS NURSERY ADAP					28,547	28,547	29,011	464	464	0
WHITLEES COMM CTRE NURSERY ADAPTS					125,490	125,490	101,775	(23,715)		(23,715)
Arran Quiet Room					4,230	4,230	0	(4,230)		(4,230)
West Kilbride Community Nursery					0	0	0	0		0
Total Nursery Education	387,133	2,461,000	1,283,497	0	(2,876,088)	868,409	767,457	(100,953)	3,362	(104,315)
Primary Schools										
CORRIE PS ANNEXE - STRUCTURAL	181,698				421	421	0	(421)		(421)
ST LUKES PS-EXTENSION PHASE 2	714,529	186,000	69,584		(40,801)	214,783	214,783	0	0	0
FREE SCHOOL MEALS P1 - P3			22,887		26,984	49,871	0	(49,871)		(49,871)
LOUDOUN-MONTG'Y PS KITCHN WRKS	10,648				376	376	0	(376)	(376)	0
ST LUKE'S PS KITCHEN WORKS	12,287		3,700		45	3,745	3,745	0		0
WEST KILBRIDE PS KITCHEN WORKS	135,581		70,971		(31,663)	39,308	39,308	0		0
ELDERBANK PS	11,011,550		162,550		(136,056)	26,494	32,888	6,394		6,394
CASTLEPARK PS	6,140,676				(142)	(142)	0	142	142	0

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					Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/ (Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
Castlepark primary - remodelling										
Moorpark Pimary - extension										
Total Primary Education	29,495,785	186,000	329,692	0	(180,836)	334,856	290,724	(44,132)	(234)	(43,898)
Secondary Schools										
GARNOCK CAMPUS	3,191,916	3,650,000	(734,160)		14,231,533	17,147,373	17,468,589	321,216		321,216
IRVINE ROYAL/COLLEGE ADAPTS	381,147		619,087		(129,561)	489,526	488,265	(1,261)		(1,261)
LARGS ACADEMY	116,581	2,000,000	(116,581)		(1,317,647)	565,772	611,728	45,956		45,956
LEARNING ACADEMY AUCHENHARVIE						0	1,802	1,802		1,802
Ardrossan New Build										
Total Secondary Education	3,848,947	5,650,000	(231,654)	0	12,784,325	18,202,671	18,570,384	367,713	0	367,713
Special Education										
STANECastle SCH REMEDIAL WORKS	116,834	511,000	(2,874)		(505,126)	3,000	2,794	(206)	(206)	0
Total Special Education	259,903	511,000	(2,874)	0	(505,126)	3,000	2,794	(206)	(206)	0
Total Education & Skills	33,991,769	8,808,000	1,378,661	0	9,222,275	19,408,936	19,631,359	222,422	2,922	219,500

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FINANCE & CORPORATE SUPPORT

CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE										
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Financial Services										
E-FORM SYSTEM	59,330	0	7,899		(7,899)	0	0	0		0
DEFIBRILLATORS	6,874		150,357		(26,515)	123,842	123,842	0		0
Total Financial Services	67,712	63,000	158,016	0	(97,174)	123,842	123,842	0	0	0
Information Technology										
PC REPLACEMENT/VIRTUAL DESKTOP	461,096	165,000	9,073		(147,771)	26,302	31,389	5,087		5,087
MICROSOFT OFFICE UPGRADE	796,912	0	3,089		(4,860)	(1,771)	0	1,771		1,771
WINDOWS SERVER MIGRATION	720,479	0	6,888		(1,879)	5,009	5,009	0		0
CUSTOMER CONTACT CENTRE	165,791	0	134,209		(2,442)	131,767	131,767	0		0
NEW COUNCIL ICT STRATEGY	477,334	0	8,388		(8,388)	0	0	0		0
DATA RATIONALISATION & STORAGE	72,045	50,000	34,955		(16,802)	68,153	87,571	19,418	0	19,418
PSN COMPLIANCE	148,234	115,000	170,766		(205,282)	80,484	97,741	17,257	0	17,257
AGILE WORKING		100,000			(30,000)	70,000	92,314	22,314		22,314
Total Information Technology	3,173,050	430,000	367,368	0	(417,424)	379,944	445,791	65,847	0	65,847
Council IT Strategy										
WIRELESS ACCESS IN SCHOOLS	203,734	221,000	56,251		(32,965)	244,286	244,486	200		200
MANAGED WAN SERVICES	375,224	306,000	84,058		(121,700)	268,358	206,492	(61,866)		(61,866)
IP TELEPHONY (IPT)	326,921	84,000	(863)		(69,691)	13,446	17,583	4,137		4,137
Total IT Strategy	1,533,161	772,000	(21,554)	0	(224,356)	526,090	468,561	(57,529)	0	(57,529)
Total Finance & Corporate Support	4,773,923	1,265,000	503,830	0	(738,954)	1,029,876	1,038,193	8,318	0	8,318

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HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

Project Description	Prior Years' Cumulative Expenditure	Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions To Programme	CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE				
						Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/ (Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
Management & Support										
CAREFIRST IT DEVELOPMENT	50,678		172,238		(102,238)	70,000	5,796	(64,204)		(64,204)
HOME CARE SYSTEM	304,918		255,342		(225,342)	30,000	26,680	(3,320)	0	(3,320)
Total Management & Support	355,596	0	427,580	0	(327,580)	100,000	32,476	(67,524)	0	(67,524)
Older People										
MONTROSE HSE REDESIGN FACILIT	5,733,284		10,396		(1,826)	8,570	0	(8,570)		(8,570)
LARGS OLDER PEOPLE RES CTRE	889,199		97,801		(39,906)	57,895	54,519	(3,376)	0	(3,376)
LD DAY CENTRES		2,300,000			(2,211,144)	88,856	88,326	(530)		(530)
Total Older People	7,903,124	2,300,000	108,197	0	(2,252,876)	155,321	142,845	(12,476)	0	(12,476)
Physical or Sensory										
DIRRANS REHABILITATION CENTR	1,821,328		53,636		(16,120)	37,516	38,050	534	534	0
Total Physical or Sensory	1,821,328	0	53,636	0	(16,120)	37,516	38,050	534	534	0
Total Health & Social Care	10,080,049	2,300,000	589,413	0	(2,596,576)	292,837	213,370	(79,466)	534	(80,000)

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Project Description	Prior Years' Cumulative Expenditure	CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE								
		Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/(Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT										
Roads										
ROADS IMPROVE/RECONSTRUCTION		1,650,000	495,939		(100,000)	2,045,939	1,991,481	(54,458)		(54,458)
B714 UPGRADE	90,182		50,000		45,000	95,000	91,281	(3,719)		(3,719)
LIGHTING		1,000,000	24,901		100,000	1,124,901	952,154	(172,747)		(172,747)
STREET LIGHTING ARRAN/MILLPORT	282,280		402		(402)	0	0	0		0
STREET LIGHTING MAINLAND	391,264	2,203,000	(666,264)		(349,598)	1,187,138	1,133,919	(53,219)		(53,219)
GARNOCK VALLEY FLOOD PREV	981,076	250,000	69,964			319,964	72,842	(247,122)		(247,122)
BANNOCH BURN KILW'G FLOOD WORK		225,000			(140,000)	85,000	65,708	(19,292)		(19,292)
SPT FUNDED PROJECTS - ROADS			835,812		(425,812)	410,000	410,290	290		290
Total Roads	2,093,911	5,328,000	813,104	0	(873,162)	5,267,942	4,717,675	(550,267)	0	(550,267)
Office Accommodation										
BRIDGEGATE HOUSE REFURB	9,488,730		183,807		(117,086)	66,721	69,292	2,571		2,571
TRINITY CHURCH REFURBISHMENT	1,032,205		70,696		(70,696)	0	0	0		0
BRIDGEGATE PUBLIC REALM	2,226,133		109,819		(109,819)	0	0	0		0
CUNNINGHAM HOUSE PHASE 1	1,513,700		65,485		(48,551)	16,934	17,313	379		379
CUNNINGHAM HOUSE PHASE 2	887,240	225,000	83,695		(20,041)	288,654	289,038	384		384
CUNNINGHAM HOUSE PHASE 3-4	62,322	1,575,000	(10,071)		14,456	1,579,385	1,721,882	142,497		142,497
RECORDS UNIT REPLACEMENT					4,202	4,202	15,755	11,553		11,553
Cunningham Hse Phase 5							828	828		828
Total Office Accommodation	15,210,331	1,800,000	503,431	0	(347,535)	1,955,896	2,114,109	158,212	0	158,212
Other Property										
CORP ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	27,550	59,000	(158)		(38,821)	20,021	23,421	3,400		3,400
SALTCOATS TOWN HALL	1,202,558	2,070,000	393,590		(253,691)	2,209,899	2,345,752	135,853	0	135,853
Total Property	1,230,108	2,129,000	393,432	0	(292,512)	2,229,920	2,369,173	139,253	126	139,253

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Project Description	Prior Years' Cumulative Expenditure	CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE								
		Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/(Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
Housing Non HRA										
IMPROVEMENT GRANTS		700,000	22,049		(582,228)	139,821	0	263,054		263,054
REPAIR GRANTS					(3,674)	(3,674)		7,348		7,348
CARE & REPAIR	0				(117,780)	(117,780)		325,340		325,340
CCTV GENERAL	13,800	20,000			(20,000)	0	0	0		0
Total Housing Non HRA	13,800	720,000	22,049	0	(723,682)	18,367	0	595,742	0	595,742
Streetscene										
STREETSCENE SCHEDULING SYSTEM	94,221	4,000	(2,721)		(1,279)	0	0	0		0
NEW STEVENSTON CEMETERY	484,239				4,700	4,700	0	(4,700)	(4,700)	0
SKELMORLIE CEMETERY WALL	31,043		(2,005)		100,453	98,448	98,448	0	0	0
CEMETERY WALLS & INFRASTRUCTURE	698,645	169,000	82,012		(245,402)	5,610	14,787	9,177		9,177
CEMETERY EXTNS, WALLS & INFRA		1,283,000	296,657		(1,565,056)	14,601	21,032	6,431		6,431
LAMLASH CEMETERY EXTENSION	3,862					0	2,190	2,190	2,190	0
ARDROSSAN CEMETERY WORKS	14,665		96,665		34,136	130,801	130,801	0		0
OLD BARONY CEMETERY WORKS	14,195		34,816		28,393	63,209	46,640	(16,569)		(16,569)
HIGH KIRK CEMETERY WORKS	38,902		24,655		(11,718)	12,937	12,938	1		1
Total Streetscene	1,662,717	1,456,000	541,301	0	(1,666,992)	330,309	326,835	(3,473)	(2,510)	(963)
COMMERCIAL SERVICES										
Cleaning Client										
CASHLESS CATERING SYSTEM		300,000			(175,000)	125,000	132,208	7,208		7,208
Total Cleaning Client		300,000	0	0	(175,000)	125,000	132,208	7,208	0	7,208
Transport										
VEHICLES		2,000,000	(254)			1,999,746	1,997,388	(2,358)		(2,358)
Total Transport	0	2,000,000	(254)	0	0	1,999,746	1,997,388	(2,358)	0	(2,358)
Waste Services										
SHEWALTON LANDFILL	10,581,680	900,000	585,085		(289,900)	1,195,185	2,651,452	1,456,267		1,456,267
ICT WASTE MANAGEMENT SYS	184,454		10,546		(10,546)	0	0	0		0
PADDOCKHOLM DEPOT	89,689				1,951	1,951	1,951	0	127	0

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Project Description	Prior Years' Cumulative Expenditure	CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE								
		Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Actual Expenditure to 31 March 2016	Actual Over/ (Under) Spend for 15/16	True Over/(Under) Spend	Carry Forward to 2016/17
BARTONHOLM HWRC					69,587	69,587	69,587	0		0
Total Waste Services	11,316,738	900,000	595,631	0	(228,908)	1,266,723	2,722,990	1,456,267	0	1,456,267
Building Services										
BUILDING SERVICES IT SYSTEM	71,092	0	0		40,000	40,000	39,620	(380)	0	(380)
Total Building Services	71,092	0	0	0	40,000	40,000	39,620	(380)	0	(380)
Renewable Energy										
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMME	51,018	1,200,000			(1,200,000)	0	0.00	0		0
BIOMASS RETROFIT PROGRAMME	1,140,049		161,607		1,233,820	1,395,427	1,368,400.33	(27,027)		(27,027)
SOLAR PV RETROFIT PROGRAMME	911,620		395,414		325,230	720,644	722,225.87	1,581		1,581
SOLAR ARRAYS					145,000	145,000	142,007.50	(2,993)		(2,993)
Total Renewable Energy	2,102,686	1,200,000	557,021	0	504,050	2,261,071	2,232,634	(28,439)	0	(28,439)
Total Place	33,701,383	15,833,000	3,425,715	0	(3,763,741)	15,494,974	16,652,631	1,771,765	(2,510)	1,774,275

Other Budgets

CURRENT YEAR 2015/16 EXPENDITURE								
Project Description	Approved Budget	Carry Forward From 2014/15	Additional Funds Awarded 2015/16	Approved Revisions To Programme	Total Revised Budget 2015/16	Carry Forward to 2016/17	Actual Variance 2015/16	Over/ (Under) Spend for 15/16
FLEXIBILITY BUDGET				61,015	61,015		(61,015)	(61,015)
PROCUREMENT TEAM					0		0	0
Total Other Budgets	0	0	0	61,015	61,015	0	(61,015)	(61,015)

North Ayrshire Council								
HRA Capital Statement								
For Year Ended 31 March 2016								
Description	Budget Approved 9 December 2014	Budget B/Fwd/ (C/Fwd)	Approved Revisions to programme	Revised budget 2015/16	Actual expenditure to 31 March 2016	Over/(Under) Spend for 2015/16	Carry Forward to 2016/17	True (Under)/Over spend
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
HOUSE BUILDING - GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	(432,207)	432,207
NEW BUILD - JOHN GALT SITE	0	0	0	0	(26,051)	(26,051)	0	(26,051)
NEW BUILD STEVENSON INSTITUTE	0	91,000	(4,363)	86,637	86,989	352	0	352
NEW BUILD DICKSON DRIVE	532,000	(196,039)	14,859	350,820	319,419	(31,401)	0	(31,401)
NEW BUILD MONTGOMERY COURT	2,461,212	(74,592)	(678,386)	1,708,234	1,259,994	(448,240)	(448,240)	0
NEW BUILD VENNEL GARDENS (KILN COURT)	2,225,935	(809,231)	56,281	1,472,985	1,209,850	(263,135)	(9,000)	(254,135)
NEW BUILD FENCEDYKE	4,088,500	(102,136)	(3,919,737)	66,627	66,627	0	0	0
NEW BUILD GLENCAIRN HOUSE SHU	0	0	109,169	109,169	60,419	(48,750)	(48,750)	0
NEW BUILD CANAL COURT SHU	0	0	28,922	28,922	30,572	1,650	1,650	0
CENTRAL HEATING	2,978,000	(9,630)	(199,971)	2,768,399	2,795,163	26,764	26,764	0
INSULATED RE-RENDERING	3,323,000	(226,280)	(237,747)	2,858,973	2,650,671	(208,302)	(208,302)	0
WINDOW REPLACEMENT	577,000	127,321	35,913	740,234	763,113	22,879	22,879	0
BATHROOM PROGRAMME	1,389,000	(83,023)	66,699	1,372,676	1,442,687	70,011	70,011	0
KITCHEN PROGRAMME	1,888,000	46,510	13,137	1,947,647	1,873,141	(74,506)	(74,506)	0
ELECTRICAL REWIRING	922,000	1,317	51,358	974,675	1,104,013	129,338	129,338	0
REGENERATION - DICKSON DRIVE	656,000	367,437	(139,609)	883,828	856,159	(27,669)	0	(27,669)
REGENERATION - MONTGOMERY COURT	1,777,400	(162,181)	(365,287)	1,249,932	1,219,122	(30,810)	(30,810)	0
ROOFING & RENDERING	3,015,000	(11,024)	144,372	3,148,348	3,103,485,000	(44,863)	(44,863)	0
SHELTERED HOUSING UNITS	255,000	0	(229,990)	25,010	221	(24,789)	(24,789)	0
REFURB - ROBERT W SERVICE CT SH	0	0	36,640	36,640	54,694	18,054	18,054	0
ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARD	1,320,000	0	(741,206)	578,794	618,972	40,178	40,178	0

North Ayrshire Council								
HRA Capital Statement								
For Year Ended 31 March 2016								
Description	Budget Approved 9 December 2014	Budget B/Fwd/ (C/Fwd)	Approved Revisions to programme	Revised budget 2015/16	Actual expenditure to 31 March 2016	Over/(Under) Spend for 2015/16	Carry Forward to 2016/17	True (Under)/Over spend
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
OTHER CAPITAL WORKS	258,000	498,165	(298,690)	457,475	483,132	25,657	25,657	0
PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT CHARGES	1,603,000	0	(1,444,013)	158,987	0	(158,987)	0	(158,987)
CEILINGS	22,000	0	0	22,000	0	(22,000)	0	(22,000)
COMMUNAL FLOORS	38,000	0	0	38,000	0	(38,000)	0	(38,000)
			0					
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	29,329,047	(542,386)	(7,701,649)	21,085,012	19,972,392	(1,112,620)	(986,936)	(125,684)
SALE OF COUNCIL HOUSES	(1,371,000)	0	(614,000)	(1,985,000)	(2,145,221)	(160,221)	0	(160,221)
SALE OF ASSETS	0	0	(178,000)	(178,000)	(161,320)	16,680	16,680	0
CFCR	(10,504,600)	0	516,800	(9,987,800)	(9,987,800)	0	0	0
CAPITAL GRANTS - HOUSE BUILDING	(2,572,000)	(96,000)	1,497,373	(1,170,627)	(1,520,131)	(349,504)	(349,504)	0
CAPITAL GRANTS - ENERGY FUNDING	0	0	(331,946)	(331,946)	(331,946)	0	0	0
CONTRIBUTION FROM HOUSE BUILD FUND	(777,391)	0	0	(777,391)	(491,486)	285,905	0	285,905
AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONTRIBUTION	(527,939)	(29,746)	408,000	(149,685)	(149,685)	0	0	0
PRUDENTIAL BORROWING	(13,576,117)	668,132	6,403,422	(6,504,563)	(5,184,803)	1,319,760	1,319,760	0
		0						
TOTAL INCOME	(29,329,047)	542,386	7,701,649	(21,085,012)	(19,972,392)	1,112,620	986,936	125,684

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 11

15 June 2016

North Ayrshire Council

Title: **North Ayrshire Charitable Trusts: Unaudited Trustees' Annual Reports 2015/16**

Purpose: To present the unaudited Trustees' Annual Reports for the year to 31 March 2016 to the Council, as trustees, for approval.

Recommendation: That the Council, as trustees of the North Ayrshire Council charitable trusts, approves the annual reports for 2015/16, subject to audit.

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Council administers a number of Trusts, largely composed of bequests made by individuals many years ago. In January 2012, the Council approved the amalgamation of a number of the smaller trusts into eight Town Trusts; Ardrossan, Beith & Gateside, Dalry, Irvine, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock, Kilwinning, Largs and Saltcoats.
- 1.2 In addition to the Town Trusts, there are four other trusts registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR), namely the Anderson Park Trust, Douglas Sellers Trust, Margaret Archibald Trust and North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust, the latter of which collates several bequests that are not specific to any particular location within North Ayrshire.
- 1.3 During the year the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust and the North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust, which had little or no activity for several years, disbursed all of their funds in final grant payments. The result of these disbursements is that both Trusts have now been wound-up with the approval of and in accordance with the requirements of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).
- 1.4 Since these two Trusts are now officially removed from the register of charities, OSCR has confirmed that there is no regulatory requirement for a 2015/16 Trustee's Annual Report for either the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust or the North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust.
- 1.5 The Council, as trustees of the North Ayrshire Council charitable trusts, is asked to approve the annual reports for 2015/16, subject to audit.

2. Background

- 2.1 Each trust registered with OSCR at 31 March 2016 is required to prepare a Trustee Report for 2015/16, which must be independently audited. For 2015/16, Audit Scotland are the appointed auditors. The reports are attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 In their 2014/15 audit report, several trusts and three bequests registered to North Ayrshire Charitable Trust were identified by Audit Scotland as being dormant, having incurred no expenditure during that or the preceding financial year. These were:
- Anderson Park Trust;
 - Douglas Sellers Trust;
 - North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust;
 - North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust;
 - North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust;
 - North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust;
- 2.3 The three dormant bequests registered to the North Ayrshire Charitable Trust were :
- McGavin Park
 - Largs War Memorial
 - North Ayrshire Museum
- 2.4 A further two trusts were identified as having no expenditure in 2014/15, with a recommendation that trustees should consider their future. These were:
- North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust;
 - North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust;
- 2.5 During the year the North Ayrshire Council (Ardrossan) Charitable Trust and the North Ayrshire Council (Saltcoats) Charitable Trust, which have had little or no activity for several years, disbursed all of their funds in final grant payments. The result is that both Trusts have now been wound-up with the approval of and in accordance with the requirements of OSCR.

- 2.6 With the exception of the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust, the remaining trusts listed above had no expenditure in 2015/16. Since the publication of the 2014/15 audit report, officers have been discussing options for the appropriate use of these funds. Final options will be presented to the new Locality Partnerships for consideration during 2016/17. This could involve the depletion of capital and / or winding up of certain trusts, subject to approval by OSCR.

3. Proposals

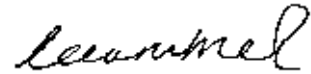
- 3.1 The Council, as trustees of the ten registered charitable trusts administered by North Ayrshire Council, has a responsibility for the preparation of Trustees' Annual Reports in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts Regulations (Scotland) 2006.
- 3.2 It is proposed that the Council, as trustees of the aforementioned trusts, approves, subject to audit, the ten 2015/16 Trustees' Annual reports attached at Appendix 1.

4. Implications

Financial:	The cost of the audit for 2015/16 is £300 per Annual Report; this is being borne by North Ayrshire Council and not passed onto the Trusts.
Human Resources:	None
Legal:	None
Equality:	Some of the trusts are specifically intended to benefit those in old age, or with ill-health or disabilities.
Environmental & Sustainability:	None
Key Priorities:	Administration of the trusts supports North Ayrshire Council's priorities of "Working together to develop stronger communities"; "Helping all of our people to stay healthy and active"; and "Protecting and enhancing the environment for future generations".
Community Benefits:	n/a

5. Consultation

- 5.1 Legal Services were consulted during the preparation of the Trustees' Annual Reports 2015/16.



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Reference :

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Background Papers

"Charitable Trusts administered by North Ayrshire Council - Report to those charged with governance on the 2014/15 audit" by Audit Scotland.



North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

ANDERSON PARK TRUST
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2016

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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

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Charity Number SC042136

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	Marie Burns	Grace McLean
	Ian Clarkson	Catherine McMillan
	Joe Cullinane	Peter McNamara
	Anthea Dickson	Ronnie McNicol
	John Easdale	Jim Montgomerie
	John Ferguson	Alan Munro
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	William Gibson	David O'Neill
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

Anderson Park Trust is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

The governing document is a Trust Disposition and Settlement established and signed on 8 July 1960.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the Anderson Park Trust have been delegated by the Council to the North Coast Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 5).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objective of the Anderson Park Trust is the provision of recreational facilities or the organisation of recreational activities in the Burgh of Largs, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the Anderson Park Trust comes from interest on balances held with the Council.

In the year to 31 March 2016 there were no applications received and no disbursement of funds.

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, Anderson Park Trust made a surplus of £8.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £798.

Future Plans

Since the Anderson Park Trust has been dormant for some time, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income, generated from capital that has not been disbursed at 31 March each year, is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Anderson Park Trust
Independent Auditor's Report

Anderson Park Trust
Independent Auditor's Report

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Income from investments	3	8	8	4
Total Receipts		8	8	4
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities – Grants	4	-	-	-
Total Payments		-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		8	8	4

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£
Opening Balance		790	790	786
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		8	8	4
Closing Balance		798	798	790

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Taxation

The Anderson Park Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

3. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- a) No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- b) The Trust received interest of £8 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- c) The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

4. Grants

There were no grants awarded during 2015/16.

5. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

6. Investments

There are no investments held by the charity.

7. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

8. Fixed Assets

The Anderson Park Trust has no fixed assets. Anderson Park was bequeathed to the former Cunninghame District Council with the restriction that the land is always used as a park.



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DOUGLAS SELLERS TRUST
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name Douglas Sellers Trust

Charity Number SC042101

Contact Address North Ayrshire Council
Finance
Cunninghame House
Irvine
Ayrshire
KA12 8EE

Current Trustees	Robert Barr	John Hunter
	John Bell	Ruth Maguire
	Matthew Brown	Tom Marshall
	John Bruce	Elizabeth McLardy
	Marie Burns	Grace McLean
	Ian Clarkson	Catherine McMillan
	Joe Cullinane	Peter McNamara
	Anthea Dickson	Ronnie McNicol
	John Easdale	Jim Montgomerie
	John Ferguson	Alan Munro
	Alex Gallagher	Irene Oldfather
	William Gibson	David O'Neill
	Anthony Gurney	Donald Reid
	Jean Highgate	Robert Steel
	Alan Hill	Joan Sturgeon

Auditor Paul Craig,
Audit Scotland
4th Floor, The Athenaeum Building
8 Nelson Mandela Place
Glasgow
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

Douglas Sellers Trust is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

The governing document is a Trust Disposition and Settlement established and signed on 21 January 1955.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of Douglas Sellers Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Irvine Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 5).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the Douglas Sellers Trust fund are:

- the maintenance, improvement and advancement of recreational facilities within the Burgh of Irvine; and
- the maintenance, improvement and floral decoration of open spaces, within the Burgh of Irvine.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to Douglas Sellers Trust comes from interest on balances held with the Council.

In the year to 31 March 2016 there were no applications received and no disbursement of funds.

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the Douglas Sellers Trust made a surplus of £17.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £1,796.

Future Plans

Since the Douglas Sellers Park Trust has been dormant for some time, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Douglas Sellers Trust
Independent Auditor's Report

Douglas Sellers Trust
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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Income from investments	3	17	17	9
Total Receipts		17	17	9
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities – Grants	4	-	-	-
Total Payments		-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		17	17	9

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
	£	£	£
Bank and Cash in Hand			
Opening Balance	1,779	1,779	1,770
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	17	17	9
Closing Balance	1,796	1,796	1,779

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Taxation

The Douglas Sellers Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

3. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- a) No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- b) The Trust received interest of £17 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- c) The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

4. Grants

There were no grants awarded during 2015/16.

5. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

6. Investments

There are no investments held by the charity.

7. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

8. Fixed Assets

The Douglas Sellers Trust has no fixed assets.



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**MARGARET ARCHIBALD BEQUEST
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016**1. INTRODUCTION**

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name Margaret Archibald Bequest

Charity Number SC042117

Contact Address North Ayrshire Council
Finance
Cunninghame House
Irvine
Ayrshire
KA12 8EE

Current Trustees	Robert Barr	John Hunter
	John Bell	Ruth Maguire
	Matthew Brown	Tom Marshall
	John Bruce	Elizabeth McLardy
	Marie Burns	Grace McLean
	Ian Clarkson	Catherine McMillan
	Joe Cullinane	Peter McNamara
	Anthea Dickson	Ronnie McNicol
	John Easdale	Jim Montgomerie
	John Ferguson	Alan Munro
	Alex Gallagher	Irene Oldfather
	William Gibson	David O'Neill
	Anthony Gurney	Donald Reid
	Jean Highgate	Robert Steel
	Alan Hill	Joan Sturgeon

Auditor Paul Craig,
Audit Scotland
4th Floor, The Athenaeum Building
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Glasgow
G2 1BT

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The Margaret Archibald Bequest is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 22 July 1992.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the Margaret Archibald Bequest have been delegated by the Council to the Garnock Valley & West Kilbride Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 5) and invested in stocks and shares in a variety of companies (see note 6).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objective of the Margaret Archibald Bequest is the relief of those in need who are aged 65 years and over and who reside in the Parish of Dalry.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the Margaret Archibald Bequest comes from share dividends and investment returns.

In the year to 31 March 2016 there seven awards of grant totalling £6,700 disbursed.

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the Margaret Archibald Bequest made a surplus of £2,273.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £36,648.

Future Plans

The Margaret Archibald Bequest will continue to promote its activities and to consider applications submitted by individuals who meet the criteria.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Margaret Archibald Bequest
Independent Auditor's Report

Margaret Archibald Bequest
Independent Auditor's Report

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
RECEIPTS		£	£	£
Income from investments		8,973	8,973	8,666
Total Receipts		8,973	8,973	8,666
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities – Grants	4	6,700	6,700	8,881
Total Payments		6,700	6,700	8,881
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		2,273	2,273	(215)

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£
Opening Balance		34,375	34,375	34,590
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		2,273	2,273	(215)
Closing Balance		36,648	36,648	34,375
Investments				
Market Value at 31 March	6	199,673	199,673	199,655
Total Investments		199,673	199,673	199,655

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Taxation

The Margaret Archibald Bequest is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

3. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- a) No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- b) The Trust received interest of £344 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- c) The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

4. Grants

Seven awards of grant, totalling £6,700, were awarded to community groups during 2015/16.

5. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

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6. Investments

The charity holds the following investments:

Stock Held	Nominal Value	Market Value at	Market Value at
		31 March 2016	31 March 2015
	£	£	£
GlaxoSmithKline plc	1,183	66,816	73,157
Marks & Spencer plc	400	5,989	7,891
Diageo plc	400	26,913	26,591
Barclays plc	336	2,016	3,261
Royal Dutch Shell plc	563	10,879	12,972
Unilever plc	37	37,982	33,921
British American Tobacco plc	300	49,080	41,862
		199,673	199,655

7. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

8. Fixed Assets

The Margaret Archibald Bequest has no fixed assets.



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**THE NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL CHARITABLE TRUST
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust	
Charity Number	SC025083	
Contact Address	North Ayrshire Council Finance Cunninghame House Irvine Ayrshire KA12 8EE	
Current Trustees	Robert Barr John Bell Matthew Brown John Bruce Marie Burns Ian Clarkson Joe Cullinane Anthea Dickson John Easdale John Ferguson Alex Gallagher William Gibson Anthony Gurney Jean Highgate Alan Hill	John Hunter Ruth Maguire Tom Marshall Elizabeth McLardy Grace McLean Catherine McMillan Peter McNamara Ronnie McNicol Jim Montgomerie Alan Munro Irene Oldfather David O'Neill Donald Reid Robert Steel Joan Sturgeon
Auditor	Paul Craig, Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, The Athenaeum Building 8 Nelson Mandela Place Glasgow G2 1BT	

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust was registered as a charity on 1 January 1992; now regulated by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR). Details of the trust funds that are incorporated into the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust, along with their purposes, can be found on page 10.

There is no overall governing document for the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust; however available documents for the incorporated trusts are as follows:

- Spier's Trust: Trust Scheme established in 1978;
- North Ayrshire Museum: Scheme for Administration of North Ayrshire Museum (1958) and Minute of Agreement (1974) between the Provost, etc of the Burghs of Ardrossan, Saltcoats and Stevenston and Others;
- Hugh Watt Bursary Fund: Deed of Trust by John Hugh Watt established in 1873;
- John Hugh Watt Scholarship Prize: Deed of Gift by the family of John Hugh Watt registered in 1920; and
- McGavin Park: Trust Disposition and Settlement by John McGavin established in 1881.

There are no available governing documents for the three remaining trusts, being Largs War Memorial Fund, the Robert Fleck Award for Irvine schools and the Sir James Dyer Prize for Largs Academy. However, the establishment of restricted funds ensures that any funds are spent in accordance with the purpose of these trusts.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to relevant Area Committees, where applicable.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 6) or are invested in stocks and shares (see note 8).

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the encouragement and promotion of education among students, including bursaries and prizes awarded;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the upkeep of war memorials.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust comes from property rents and investment returns.

In the year to 31 March 2016 the Trust disbursed £2,730 in accordance with the above charitable purposes.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust made a surplus of £3,515.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £63,760.

Future Plans

The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust will continue to promote its activities and to consider applications submitted by individuals who meet the criteria.

Three of the component trusts, being McGavin Park, Largs War Memorial Fund and North Ayrshire Museum, have incurred no expenditure in the past few years. In light of this, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital that has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Education	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Restricted Funds - Other	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
RECEIPTS						
Income from Investments		1,695	1,707	66	3,468	2,891
Income from sale of investments	8	-	1,034	240	1,274	250
Repayment of Grant		-	-	-	-	705
Income from Property Rents	7	2,660	-	-	2,660	2,660
Total Receipts		4,355	2,741	306	7,402	6,506
PAYMENTS						
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	2,730	-	-	2,730	4,580
Maintenance Costs	11	1,157	-	-	1,157	1,110
Total Payments		3,887	-	-	3,887	5,690
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		468	2,741	306	3,515	816

The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Education	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Restricted Funds - Other	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance		39,822	20,249	174	60,245	59,429
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		468	2,741	306	3,515	816
Closing Balance		40,290	22,990	480	63,760	60,245
Land & Buildings						
Book Value at 31 March	7	135,000	-	-	135,000	135,000
Investments						
Market Value at 31 March	8	31,704		21,868	53,571	60,764
Total Investments		166,704	-	21,868	188,571	195,764

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

During the period 2012 to 2014, North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of eight new Town Trusts. The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust now comprises those registered charitable funds (outlined on page 10) that were not amalgamated on a geographical basis.

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- a) No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- b) The Trust received interest of £599 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- c) The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

Twelve grants, totalling £2,730, were disbursed to individuals and community groups during 2015/16.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration.

The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

7. Land and Buildings

Income from property relates to grazing rents at Marshallands Grazings, Barrmill Road, Beith. The land was purchased for £25,000 in 2004 by the Spier's Trust was last revalued in 2014/15, to a current book value of £135,000. There is no depreciation charged.

8. Investments

The charity holds the following investments:

Stock Held	Purchase Price / Nominal Value	Market Value at 31 March 2016	Market Value at 31 March 2015
	£	£	£
3.5% Conversion Stock	1,034	-	1,034
2.5% Consolidated Stock	300	-	301
JPM UK Higher Income Fund	1,790	7,282	7,789
Merchants Trust	406	6,581	7,828
Alliance Trust	73	14,587	16,907
Zeneca Group plc	68	10,535	12,490
Diageo	217	14,586	14,415
		53,571	60,764

3.5% Conversion Stock and 2.5% Consolidated Stock held by the North Ayrshire Council Charitable Trust was redeemed in its entirety at par on 1 April 2015 and 10 June 2015 respectively.

9. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

10. Opening balances

The charity was registered on 1 January 1992. Following re-organisation, as detailed in Note 2, opening balances were comprised as follows:

Name of Trust Fund	Purpose	Investment Balance at 1 April 2013
McGavin Park	Upkeep of McGavin Park, Kilwinning	£890
North Ayrshire Museum	For Benefit of North Ayrshire Museum	£15,974
War Memorial Fund	Largs War Memorial Fund	£156
Sir James Dyer Simpson	Educational prize for Largs Academy	£223
Spier's Trust	Educational bursaries for the Garnock Valley	£26,949
Robert Fleck Award	Educational prize for Saltcoats schools	£5,907
Hugh Watt Bursary Fund	Educational prize for Irvine schools	£2,894
John Hugh Watt Scholarship Prize	Educational prize for Irvine Royal Academy	£1,290
		£54,283

11. Maintenance Costs

Maintenance costs of £1,157 relate to work on the boundary wall in connection with the property owned by Spier's Trust.



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The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Charity Number SC043498

Contact Address North Ayrshire Council
Finance
Cunninghame House
Irvine
Ayrshire
KA12 8EE

Current Trustees	Robert Barr	John Hunter
	John Bell	Ruth Maguire
	Matthew Brown	Tom Marshall
	John Bruce	Elizabeth McLardy
	Marie Burns	Grace McLean
	Ian Clarkson	Catherine McMillan
	Joe Cullinane	Peter McNamara
	Anthea Dickson	Ronnie McNicol
	John Easdale	Jim Montgomerie
	John Ferguson	Alan Munro
	Alex Gallagher	Irene Oldfather
	William Gibson	David O'Neill
	Anthony Gurney	Donald Reid
	Jean Highgate	Robert Steel
	Alan Hill	Joan Sturgeon

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The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 October 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 7 September 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Garnock Valley & West Kilbride Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

All funds of the charity are now deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see notes 6 and 7).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended;
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage; and
- the advancement of education.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust comes from interest on balances held with the council. Prior to 10 July 2015, income from Treasury Stock was also received, however this stock has now been redeemed.

During the year to 31 March 2016, one award of grant for £59 was disbursed.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust made a surplus of £480. This was mainly due to income of £440 received from the redemption of Treasury Stock.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £9,726.

Future Plans

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust will continue to promote its activities and to consider applications submitted by individuals who meet the criteria.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

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The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Education	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Income from investments		73	26	99	144
Income from sale of investments	7	440	-	440	2,237
Total Receipts		513	26	539	2,381
PAYMENTS					
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	59	-	59	100
Total Payments		59	-	59	100
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		454	26	480	2,281

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Education	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£	£
Opening Balance*		6,541	2,705	9,246	6,965
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		454	26	480	2,281
Closing Balance		6,995	2,731	9,726	9,246
Investments					
Market Value at 31 March	7	-	-	-	442
Total Investments		-	-	-	442

* Whilst the total opening balance remains the same, the split between funds has been restated since 2014/15.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust on 1 October 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purpose:

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013		Purpose
		£		
Border Trust	SC042115	4,523		relief for poverty / education
Orr Charity	SC025083	1,725		relief for poverty
Mrs Ralston Patrick Treame	SC025083	928		relief for poverty
		<u>7,176</u>		

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £92 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

One grant for £59 was awarded to a community group during 2015/16.

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

7. Investments

The charity held the following investment:

Stock Held	Purchase Price	Market Value at	Market Value at
		31 March 2016	31 March 2015
	£	£	£
2.5% Treasury Stock	440	-	442
	440	-	442

2.5% Treasury Stock held by The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Trust was redeemed in its entirety on 10 July 2015.

8. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

9. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Beith & Gateside) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.



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The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust	
Charity Number	SC043644	
Contact Address	North Ayrshire Council Finance Cunninghame House Irvine Ayrshire KA12 8EE	
Current Trustees	Robert Barr John Bell Matthew Brown John Bruce Marie Burns Ian Clarkson Joe Cullinane Anthea Dickson John Easdale John Ferguson Alex Gallagher William Gibson Anthony Gurney Jean Highgate Alan Hill	John Hunter Ruth Maguire Tom Marshall Elizabeth McLardy Grace McLean Catherine McMillan Peter McNamara Ronnie McNicol Jim Montgomerie Alan Munro Irene Oldfather David O'Neill Donald Reid Robert Steel Joan Sturgeon
Auditor	Paul Craig, Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, The Athenaeum Building 8 Nelson Mandela Place Glasgow G2 1BT	

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 October 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 26 November 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Garnock Valley & West Kilbride Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

All funds of the charity are now deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see notes 6 and 7).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust comes from interest on balances held with the council. Prior to 1 April 2015, income from Conversion Stock was also received, however this stock has now been redeemed.

During the year to 31 March 2016, one grant of grant for £800 was disbursed.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust incurred a deficit of £52. Trustees decided to disburse a higher level of grants than the anticipated income for the year.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £9,831.

Future Plans

Prior to the grant disbursed in 2015/16, the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust was dormant for over a year. Options for the disbursement of funds are therefore being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Income from investments		108	108	74
Repayment of grants		-	-	75
Income from sale of investments	7	640	640	160
Total Receipts		748	748	309
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	800	800	-
Total Payments		800	800	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		(52)	(52)	309

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£
Opening Balance		9,883	9,883	9,574
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		(52)	(52)	309
Closing Balance		9,831	9,831	9,883
Investments				
Market Value at 31 March	7	-	-	640
Total Investments		-	-	640

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust on 1 October 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purposes :

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013	
		£	Purpose
John Logan Bequest	SC025083	2,943	relief for poverty
Jessie K Holburn	n/a	7,214	relief for poverty
		<u>10,157</u>	

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £99 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

One grant for £800 was awarded to a community group during 2015/16.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust

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7. Investments

The charity held the following investments:

Stock Held	Purchase Price	Market Value at 31 March 2016	Market Value at 31 March 2015
	£	£	£
3.5% Conversion Stock	640	-	640
	640	-	640

3.5% Conversion Stock held by the North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust was redeemed in its entirety at par on 1 April 2015.

8. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

9. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Dalry) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.



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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust	
Charity Number	SC043372	
Contact Address	North Ayrshire Council Finance Cunninghame House Irvine Ayrshire KA12 8EE	
Current Trustees	Robert Barr John Bell Matthew Brown John Bruce Marie Burns Ian Clarkson Joe Cullinane Anthea Dickson John Easdale John Ferguson Alex Gallagher William Gibson Anthony Gurney Jean Highgate Alan Hill	John Hunter Ruth Maguire Tom Marshall Elizabeth McLardy Grace McLean Catherine McMillan Peter McNamara Ronnie McNicol Jim Montgomerie Alan Munro Irene Oldfather David O'Neill Donald Reid Robert Steel Joan Sturgeon
Auditor	Paul Craig, Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, The Athenaeum Building 8 Nelson Mandela Place Glasgow G2 1BT	

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 October 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 20 July 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Irvine Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 6).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust
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5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust comes from interest on balances held with the council.

During the year to 31 March 2016, one award of grant for £122 was disbursed.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust made a surplus of £98.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £22,780.

Future Plans

Given that the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust has been dormant for some time, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust

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The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Income from investments	4	103	117	220	182
Income from sale of investments		-	-	-	1,700
Total Receipts		103	117	220	1,882
PAYMENTS					
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	122	-	122	-
Total Payments		122	-	122	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		(19)	117	98	1,882

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	10,707	11,975	22,682	20,800
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	(19)	117	98	1,882
Closing Balance	10,688	12,092	22,780	22,682

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust on 1 October 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purposes:

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013	
		£	Purpose
James Blair	SC025083	396	relief for poverty
Connel Bequest	SC025083	1,865	relief for poverty
Miss Jane Falls	SC025083	742	relief for poverty/age/ ill health/disability
R R Holmes	SC025083	1,263	relief for age/ill health/disability/hardship
J Speir	SC025083	3,086	relief for age/ill health/disability/hardship
Miss J Walker	SC025083	109	relief for age/ill health/disability/hardship
Ann C Holmes	SC025083	524	relief for poverty
Fuel Relief Fund	SC025083	14,974	relief for poverty/age/ ill health/disability
		<u>22,959</u>	

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £220 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

One grant for £122 was awarded to a community group during 2015/16.

Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

6. Investments

There are no investments held by the charity.

7. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

8. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Irvine) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.



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THE NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (KILBIRNIE & GLENGARNOCK) CHARITABLE TRUST
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The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Charity Number SC043600

Contact Address North Ayrshire Council
Finance
Cunninghame House
Irvine
Ayrshire
KA12 8EE

Current Trustees	Robert Barr	John Hunter
	John Bell	Ruth Maguire
	Matthew Brown	Tom Marshall
	John Bruce	Elizabeth McLardy
	Marie Burns	Grace McLean
	Ian Clarkson	Catherine McMillan
	Joe Cullinane	Peter McNamara
	Anthea Dickson	Ronnie McNicol
	John Easdale	Jim Montgomerie
	John Ferguson	Alan Munro
	Alex Gallagher	Irene Oldfather
	William Gibson	David O'Neill
	Anthony Gurney	Donald Reid
	Jean Highgate	Robert Steel
	Alan Hill	Joan Sturgeon

Auditor Paul Craig,
Audit Scotland
4th Floor, The Athenaeum Building
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G2 1BT

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 October 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 23 October 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Garnock Valley & West Kilbride Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 5).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust comes from interest on balances held with the Council.

In the year to 31 March 2016 there were no applications received and no disbursement of funds.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust made a surplus of £52.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £5,448.

Future Plans

Given that the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust has been dormant for some time, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

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The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Statement of Receipts and Payments for year ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Income from investments	4	40	12	52	28
Total Receipts		40	12	52	28
PAYMENTS					
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	-	-	-	-
Total Payments		-	-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		40	12	52	28

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

Note	Restricted Funds - Recreation	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	4,115	1,282	5,397	5,369
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	39	12	51	28
Closing Balance	4,154	1,294	5,448	5,397

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust in 1 October 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purposes:

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013		Purpose
		£		
Mary P Herriot Trust	SC025083	1,257		relief for age/ill health/disability/hardship
Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Common	SC042110	4,037		relief for recreation
		<u>5,294</u>		

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £52 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

There were no grants awarded during 2015/16.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

7. Investments

There are no investments held by the charity.

8. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

9. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilbirnie & Glengarnock) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.



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THE NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (KILWINNING) CHARITABLE TRUST
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The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust
Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust	
Charity Number	SC043374	
Contact Address	North Ayrshire Council Finance Cunninghame House Irvine Ayrshire KA12 8EE	
Current Trustees	Robert Barr John Bell Matthew Brown John Bruce Marie Burns Ian Clarkson Joe Cullinane Anthea Dickson John Easdale John Ferguson Alex Gallagher William Gibson Anthony Gurney Jean Highgate Alan Hill	John Hunter Ruth Maguire Tom Marshall Elizabeth McLardy Grace McLean Catherine McMillan Peter McNamara Ronnie McNicol Jim Montgomerie Alan Munro Irene Oldfather David O'Neill Donald Reid Robert Steel Joan Sturgeon
Auditor	Paul Craig, Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, The Athenaeum Building 8 Nelson Mandela Place Glasgow G2 1BT	

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust
Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 April 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 20 July 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the Kilwinning Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

The funds of the charity are deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see note 6).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust
Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust comes from investment returns.

During the year 2015/16, one award for a grant of £703 was disbursed.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust made a surplus of £549.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £129,653.

Future Plans

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust will continue to promote its activities and to consider applications submitted by individuals who meet the criteria.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Independent Auditor's Report

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The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Income from investments		1,245	7	1,252	685
Income from sale of investments		-	-		460
Total Receipts		1,245	7	1,252	1,145
PAYMENTS					
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	703	-	703	1,995
Total Payments		703	-	703	1,995
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		542	7	549	(850)

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Restricted Funds - Age/Health /Disability	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	128,395	709	129,104	129,954
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	542	7	549	(850)
Closing Balance	128,937	716	129,653	129,104

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust on 1 April 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purposes:

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013	
		£	Purpose
Sir Malcolm Campbell Fund	SC025083	894	relief for poverty
John Dickie	SC025083	250	relief for poverty
John Logan (Kilwinning) Bequest	SC042121	213	relief for age/ill health/disability/hardship
Woodgreen Mortification	SC025083	125,784	relief for poverty
Crawford Mortification	n/a	875	relief for poverty
John Lyon Bequest	n/a	127	relief for poverty
		128,143	

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £1,252 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

One grant for £703 was awarded to community group during 2015/16.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

7. Investments

There are no investments held by the charity.

8. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

9. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Kilwinning) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.



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**THE NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (LARGS) CHARITABLE TRUST
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The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 March 2016.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust	
Charity Number	SC043494	
Contact Address	North Ayrshire Council Finance Cunninghame House Irvine Ayrshire KA12 8EE	
Current Trustees	Robert Barr John Bell Matthew Brown John Bruce Marie Burns Ian Clarkson Joe Cullinane Anthea Dickson John Easdale John Ferguson Alex Gallagher William Gibson Anthony Gurney Jean Highgate Alan Hill	John Hunter Ruth Maguire Tom Marshall Elizabeth McLardy Grace McLean Catherine McMillan Peter McNamara Ronnie McNicol Jim Montgomerie Alan Munro Irene Oldfather David O'Neill Donald Reid Robert Steel Joan Sturgeon
Auditor	Paul Craig, Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, The Athenaeum Building 8 Nelson Mandela Place Glasgow G2 1BT	

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust was registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) on 1 October 2013 as part of the reorganisation of the North Ayrshire Council Trusts.

The governing document is a Trust Deed, established and signed on 7 September 2012.

The trustees of the charity are the elected members of North Ayrshire Council and are appointed through their election to the Council.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is the designated officer within North Ayrshire Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charitable trust's financial affairs. The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are up to date and which ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support) has considered and taken steps to address any risks to which the charity may be exposed, in particular those related to its operation and finances. Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such risks.

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the management of the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust have been delegated by the Council to the North Coast Area Committee.

The trustees rely on the expertise of North Ayrshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return and the least risk to the charity. In this way, the income stream for the future benefit of the charity is protected.

All funds of the charity are now deposited with North Ayrshire Council (see notes 6 and 7).

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust fund are as follows:

- the prevention or relief of poverty;
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; and
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income received is expended on awards and, where necessary, supplemented by revenue reserves.

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

5. PERFORMANCE

Income to the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust comes from interest on balances held with the council. Prior to 10 June 2015, income from Consolidated Stock was also received, however this stock has now been redeemed.

In the year to 31 March 2016 there were no applications received and no disbursement of funds.

6. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

In the year to 31 March 2016, the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust made a surplus of £2,189. This was mainly due to the income of £2,000 received from the sale of investments.

The trust held cash and bank balances at 31 March 2016 of £17,947.

Future Plans

Given that the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust has been dormant for some time, options for the disbursement of funds are being explored by North Ayrshire Council and will be presented to the Trustees for approval within the next 12 months.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are held by North Ayrshire Council on behalf of the Trust and revenue income generated from the capital which has not been disbursed at 31 March each year is invested in North Ayrshire Council's Loans Fund.

7. DECLARATION

This report was signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust

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The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The Statement of Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, provides an analysis of the incoming and outgoing cash and bank transactions for the year.

The funds are classed as 'Restricted' because they have specific objectives, as set out in Section 4 of the Trustees' Annual Report.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
RECEIPTS		£	£	£
Income from investments		189	189	213
Repayment of Grants		-	-	15
Income from sale of investments		2,000	2,000	2,112
Total Receipts		2,189	2,189	2,340
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities – Grants	5	-	-	-
Total Payments		-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		2,189	2,189	2,340

The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2016

The Statement of Balances, as required by the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, reconciles the cash and bank balances at the start and end of the financial year, with any surpluses shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

	Note	Restricted Funds - Poverty	Total 2015/16	Total 2014/15
Bank and Cash in Hand		£	£	£
Opening Balance		15,758	15,758	13,418
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		2,189	2,189	2,340
Closing Balance		17,947	17,947	15,758
Investments				
Market Value at 31 March	7	-	-	2,009
Total Investments		-	-	2,009

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 15 June 2016 by:



Laura Friel
Executive Director (Finance & Corporate Support)
North Ayrshire Council



Councillor Willie Gibson
Leader
North Ayrshire Council

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are designed to give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Trust for the financial year.

2. Reorganisation

North Ayrshire Council undertook a review of Sundry Trusts that resulted in the creation of the North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust on 1 October 2013. This was an amalgamation of the following former Trusts and their purposes:

Former Fund	Charity Number	Total invested at 1 October 2013	
		£	Purpose
John Clark Bequest	SC025083	807	relief for poverty
M Craig's Bequest	SC025083	8,202	relief for poverty
George Elder Bequest	SC025083	611	relief for poverty
M E Ewen's Fund	SC025083	406	relief for poverty
John Gloag Bequest	SC025083	632	relief for poverty
Hamilton Trust	SC025083	456	relief for poverty
Hamilton Bequest	n/a	425	relief for poverty
Largs Trawler Fund	n/a	1,736	relief for poverty
		13,275	

3. Taxation

The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 2015/16;
- The Trust received interest of £164 from North Ayrshire Council at 31 March 2016 and all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's bank accounts;
- The Council has not charged the charity any fees for legal, financial or administrative services provided during the year.

5. Grants

There were no grants awarded during 2015/16.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the trust's balances were held by North Ayrshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the trust for this administration. The Council also acts as the banker for the charity and, as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balances are repayable on demand. Interest is paid on balances.

7. Investments

The charity held the following investments:

Stock Held	Purchase Price £	Market Value at 31 March 2016 £	Market Value at 31 March 2015 £
2.5% Consolidated Stock	2,000	-	2,009
	2,000	-	2,009

2.5% Consolidated Stock held by The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust was redeemed in its entirety at par on 10 June 2015.

8. Audit Fee

The audit fee for the year of £300 was borne by North Ayrshire Council.

9. Fixed Assets

The North Ayrshire Council (Largs) Charitable Trust has no fixed assets.

NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Item 12

15 June 2016

North Ayrshire Council

Title: **Treasury Management Annual Report 2015/16**

Purpose: To report to Council on the Treasury Management Annual Report and Prudential Indicators for 2015/16.

Recommendation: That the Council notes (a) the contents of the Treasury Management Annual Report for 2015/16 (Appendix 1); and (b) the Prudential and Treasury Indicators contained therein.

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Council is required by regulations issued under the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 to produce an annual review of treasury management activities. The purpose of the annual review is to report the performance of the Council's treasury operations and how this measures up against the Council's Annual Treasury Strategy, updated in the Mid-Year Report. This is done through the publication of actual prudential and treasury indicators for 2015/16.
- 1.2 This Treasury Management Annual Report meets the requirements of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003, the Scottish Government's investment regulations, the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management (the Code) and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities (the Prudential Code).
- 1.3 The Treasury Management Annual Report 2015/16 for North Ayrshire Council is attached at Appendix 1. Key points to note from the report are as follows:
 - During 2015/16, the Council complied with its legislative and regulatory requirements in relation to treasury activities and there were no breaches of the investment strategy;
 - Capital expenditure was below the level anticipated at the start of the year;
 - There was a reduction in the Capital Financing Requirement (CFR) due to changes in the profile and phasing of the capital programme, which contributed to low levels of borrowing;
 - The continued use of internal funds as highlighted in the Treasury Strategy has also contributed to low levels of borrowing in 2015/16;

- A new modelling tool has been introduced for Loan Charges which provides the Council with accurate long term forecasting and scenario planning. As part of this, a full review of the Loans Fund was carried out and borrowing decisions aligned to the Council's capital investment decisions, the Council's debt profile and charges to the revenue budget. This review identified a reduction in the requirement for revenue funding in future years;
- The affordability indicators reflect the delay in new borrowing;
- Lower investment returns relative to budget and last year's returns reflect the shorter investment periods linked to the Council's cash flow requirements;
- During the last year Treasury Management training has been provided to Elected Members as recommended by Audit Scotland in its notional report;
- During 2015/16 the Council sold its outstanding investment in the Iceland bank Glitnir Banki hf. This resulted in a receipt which was more than the carrying value of the investment on the balance sheet by £0.175m.

2. Background

2.1 The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Code of Practice for Treasury Management requires elected members to be provided with regular reports on treasury management activities. The Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategy was approved by Council on 17 December 2014 and the mid-year report was submitted to the Cabinet on 24 November 2015. This final outturn report ensures full compliance with the CIPFA Code of Practice.

2.2 The 2015/16 annual report is attached at Appendix 1 and covers:

- Prudential and treasury indicators;
- Investment rate and outturn;
- Performance measures.

2.3 Current Position

Statutory Requirements

2.4 During 2015/16 the Council complied with its legislative and regulatory requirements. It is a statutory duty for the Council to determine and keep under review its approved borrowing limits and prudential indicators. Details within the report demonstrate that the Council has operated within the treasury limits and prudential indicators as set out in the Council's 2015/16 Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS).

2.5 **General Services**

- 2.5.1 **Interest on Revenue Balances** - the Council budgeted for £0.330m of interest to the General Fund on its revenue balances in 2015/16. Actual interest on revenue balances amounted to £0.257m which reflects lower interest rates offered by counterparties due to the short term nature of investments to align cash flows commitments during 2015/16 alongside the actual profile of expenditure.
- 2.5.2 **Capital Financing Costs** - the Council budgeted £18.906m for financing costs and expenses on debt for 2015/16. This was revised to £16.287m following an approved transfer to the capital fund. Actual costs totalled £16.238m.

The main reasons for the underspend of £0.049m are

- the continuing strategy to delay new external borrowing by utilising cash balances, resulting in savings on external interest costs and
- re-profiling of the capital programme, resulting in savings on loans fund principal and interest payments.

2.6 **Housing Revenue Account**

- 2.6.1 **Interest on HRA Revenue Balances** - the Council budgeted £0.150m of interest to the HRA on revenue balances held in 2015/16. Actual interest on HRA revenue balances amounted to £0.065m which reflects lower interest rates offered by counterparties due to the short term nature of investments to align cash flow commitments during 2015/16 alongside the actual profile of expenditure.
- 2.6.2 **Capital Financing Costs** - the Council budgeted £9.414m for financing costs and expenses for debt in 2015/16 whilst actual costs totalled £7.993m.

The main reasons for the underspend of £1.421m are

- the continuing strategy to delay new external borrowing by utilising cash balances, resulting in savings on external interest costs and
- re-profiling of the capital programme, resulting in savings on loans fund principal and interest payments.

3. **Proposals**

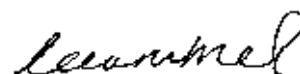
- 3.1 It is proposed that the Council notes (a) the contents of the Treasury Management Annual Report for 2015/16 (Appendix 1); and (b) the Prudential and Treasury Indicators contained therein.

4. Implications

Financial:	Financial implications are detailed in the report and Appendix 1.
Human Resources:	None
Legal:	None
Equality:	None
Environmental & Sustainability:	None
Key Priorities:	This report aligns to the Council's strategic priorities by "making the best use of all resources" and ensuring a "sound financial position".
Community Benefits:	n/a

5. Consultation

- 5.1 The Council's treasury advisors were consulted during the preparation of this report.



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Background Papers

Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16, North Ayrshire Council, 17 December 2014;

Treasury Management Annual Report 2014/15, North Ayrshire Council, 17 June 2015; and

Treasury Management Mid Year Report 2015/16, Cabinet, 24 November 2015.



North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

Annual Treasury Management Report

2015/16

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Annual Treasury Management Review 2015/16

1. Purpose

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This report meets the requirements of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003, the Scottish Government's investment regulations, the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management (the Code) and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities (the Prudential Code).

During 2015/16 the minimum requirement was that the following reports should be submitted to Elected Members:

- an annual treasury strategy (submitted to the Council on 17 December 2014)
- a mid-year treasury update report (submitted to the Cabinet on 24 November 2015)
- an annual review following the end of the year describing the activity compared to the strategy (this report)

Regulations place responsibility on members for the review and scrutiny of treasury management policy and activities. This report is, therefore, important in that respect, as it provides details of the outturn position for treasury activities and highlights compliance with the Council's policies previously approved by members.

2. Executive Summary

During 2015/16, the Council complied with its legislative and regulatory requirements.

The **key prudential and treasury indicators** detailing the impact of capital expenditure activities during the year, with comparators, are summarised below. In order to provide consistency within all the tables in this report, all figures exclude the Council's liabilities in respect of PPP, unless otherwise stated.

TABLE 1

Prudential and treasury indicators	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Estimate £m	2015/16 Actual £m
Capital expenditure (Indicator 1)			
General services	31.958	58.370	56.190
HRA	26.997	24.379	19.972
Total	58.955	82.749	76.162
Capital Financing Requirement (CFR):			
General services*	147.455	176.861	169.476
HRA	116.784	115.555	119.089
Total	264.239	292.416	288.565
Gross borrowing (Indicator 4)*	225.354	262.832	219.979
Operational Boundary (Indicator 5)*^	286.568	316.739	310.546
Authorised Limit (Indicator 6)*^	315.225	348.413	341.601
Investments (Indicator 7)			
· Longer than 1 year	-	-	-
· Under 1 year	29.450	30.000	9.850
· Total	29.450	30.000	9.850

*Mid Year report included PPP element of £66.986m not included in 2015/16 Estimate figure

^Calculation of Operational Boundary and Authorised Limit has been revised and figures updated

A summary of performance is provided below with more detailed information provided in the body of the report.

Overall **Capital Expenditure** was below the level anticipated due to changes in the profile of projects.

The **Capital Financing Requirement (CFR)** is the underlying borrowing requirements of the Council. The reduction to the requirement during 2015/16 reflects the change in profile of the capital programme.

Gross Borrowing reflects the actual borrowing which has been undertaken, this was lower than anticipated due the revised profile of capital projects and the use of internal funds, the latter being a key element of the Treasury Management Strategy to minimise costs.

The **Operational Boundary** is the maximum we would anticipate borrowing to fund the current year capital programme building in flexibility for the timing of the different funding streams and principal repayments. The in-year variance is linked to the increasing under-borrowed position arising from the use of internal funds as well as the re-profiling of the capital programme.

The **Authorised Limit** is set at 10% above the Operational Boundary to give some flexibility to raise funds for future year capital investment.

As noted above the Council continues to use its internal funds to delay borrowing, minimising costs. £1.625m of **new borrowing** took place in 2015/16.

The **average loans fund pool rate** fell from 5.16% to 4.45%. This can be attributed as follows:

- The methodology for calculating the average loans fund pool rate has been revised following the introduction of the Loans Fund Modelling tool and now more accurately reflects the pool rate across the full fund;
- £7m of bonds, whose average interest rate was 11.2%, matured during 2015/16;
- In 2014/15 the Council accounted for an impairment to its Icelandic bank holdings amounting to £0.785m, which was charged to the loans fund; in 2015/16 there was a net income of £0.175m to the loans fund from this holding.

The **maturity profile** and balance between **fixed and variable rate borrowing** mitigates the Council's exposure to interest rate variations either now or when loans require to be refinanced.

Affordability of borrowing is measured by a number of indicators;

- Impact of additional borrowing on Council Tax; this was not estimated in the 2015/16 Treasury Strategy due to the ongoing Council Tax freeze, however a notional value has been calculated for this report
- Impact of additional borrowing on Housing Rents; this showed a lower than estimated "notional" impact
- Percentage of financial costs relative to the net revenue stream of the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account, the percentage values were lower than estimated for the General Fund and in line with the estimate for the Housing Revenue Account

The **average internal investment** rate was 0.55%, compared to a target of 0.5%, the 0.45% secured in 2014/15 and the 2015/16 performance of other Scottish local authorities of 0.44%. The higher return secured by North Ayrshire Council reflects several fixed term investments undertaken during 2015/16, which reflected the cash flow requirements of the Council.

Other prudential and treasury indicators and supporting information can be found in the main body of this report.

Icelandic Bank Update

At 1 April 2015 the Council held an outstanding investment of £1.309m with Glitnir Banki hf. In September 2015, the Council sold this investment for £1.484m on the basis of legal advice received from Bevan Brittan and North Ayrshire Council's own analysis of the financial position. This resulted in £0.175m of investment interest. This concludes the Council's dealings with Icelandic banks.

Conclusion

The Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Support) confirms that long-term borrowing is only undertaken for a capital purpose and that the statutory borrowing limit (the authorised limit) has not been breached.

3. Prudential and Treasury Indicators for 2015/16

The Prudential Code establishes a framework to ensure that councils demonstrate effective control over levels of, and decisions relating to, capital investment activity, including borrowing. Treasury indicators are used to ensure that risk is managed and controlled effectively. Together the Prudential and Treasury Indicators consider the affordability and impact of capital expenditure decisions and set out the Council's overall capital framework.

These indicators help the Council to demonstrate public accountability in relation to borrowing and investments. As part of this accountability this report will summarise the following: -

- The Council's Capital Expenditure and Financing (section a);
- The Council's Overall Borrowing Need (section b);
- Limits to Borrowing Activity (section c);
- Treasury Position at 31 March 2016 (section d); and
- Affordability Prudential Indicators (section e);

(a) The Council's Capital Expenditure and Financing 2015/16 (Prudential Indicator 1)

The Council incurs capital expenditure when it invests in its long-term assets. Capital Expenditure can be funded in two main ways:

- Financed immediately through the application of capital or revenue resources (capital receipts, capital grants, revenue contributions etc.), which has no resultant impact on the Council's borrowing need; or
- If insufficient financing is available, or a decision is taken not to apply other resources, then capital expenditure will give rise to borrowing which needs to be approved as part of the Council's investment plans.

The tables below show the actual capital expenditure incurred in 2015/16 compared with the planned investment alongside the amount financed immediately and the amount which gave rise to borrowing.

TABLE 2

General Fund	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Estimate £m	2015/16 Actual £m
Capital expenditure (Indicator 1)	31.958	58.370	56.190
Financed in year	30.790	28.462	26.363
Unfinanced capital expenditure	1.168	29.908	29.827

HRA	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Estimate £m	2015/16 Actual £m
Capital expenditure (Indicator 1)	26.997	24.379	19.972
Financed in year	15.600	14.509	14.787
Unfinanced capital expenditure	11.397	9.870	5.185

(b) The Council's Overall Borrowing Need (the Capital Financing Requirement) (Prudential Indicators 2 and 3)

This indicator outlines the Council's Capital Financing Requirement (CFR). The CFR is the total historic outstanding capital expenditure which has not been paid from either a capital or revenue resource and therefore needs to be funded from borrowing. It is essentially a measure of the Council's underlying borrowing need.

Part of the Council's treasury activity is to meet the funding requirements for this borrowing need. The treasury management section organises the Council's cash position to ensure that sufficient cash is available to meet the capital plans and cash flow requirements. This may be sourced through borrowing from external bodies (such as the Government, through the Public Works Loan Board [PWLb] or the money markets), or utilising temporary cash resources within the Council.

The Council's underlying borrowing need (CFR) is not allowed to rise indefinitely. The Council is required to make an annual revenue charge, called the Loans Fund Principal Repayment. This is effectively a repayment of the borrowing need and it is charged to revenue over the life of the asset. This charge reduces the CFR each year. This differs from the treasury management arrangements which ensure that cash is available to meet capital commitments. External debt can also be borrowed or repaid at any time, but this does not change the CFR.

The total CFR can also be reduced by:

- the application of additional capital financing resources (such as unapplied capital receipts); or
- increasing the annual revenue charge

The Council's CFR for the year is a key prudential indicator and is shown below. The opening balance includes the PPP scheme on the balance sheet, which increases the Council's borrowing need; this is shown to give a complete picture of the Council's debt, however no borrowing is actually required against these schemes, as a borrowing facility is included in the contract and as such, this is removed from the bottom line.

Table 3 shows that based on historic capital expenditure and this year's capital expenditure the Council has a cumulative underlying need to borrow of £288.565m at 31 March 2016.

TABLE 3

CFR	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Estimate £m	2015/16 Actual £m
Opening balance	263.323	263.323	264.239
Add new PPP liability	68.601	66.986	66.986
Revised Opening Balance	331.924	330.309	331.225
Add unfinanced capital expenditure (General Fund)	1.168	29.908	29.827
Add unfinanced capital expenditure (HRA)	11.397	9.870	5.185
Less Loans Fund Principal Repayments	(11.649)	(10.685)	(10.686)
Sub-total	332.840	359.402	355.551
Less PPP lease repayments	(68.601)	(66.986)	(66.986)
Closing balance (Indicator 2)	264.239	292.416	288.565
Annual Change (Indicator 3)	0.916	29.093	24.326

(c) Limits to Borrowing Activity (Prudential Indicators 4 - 6)

Borrowing activity is constrained by the prudential indicators for CFR and gross borrowing and by the authorised limit, to ensure that the Council operates its activities within well-defined limits.

Gross borrowing and the CFR

There is a need to ensure that gross debt does not, except in the medium term, exceed the total CFR (i.e. the Council does not borrow more than it needs to fund its capital programme). In exceptional circumstances Councils are allowed to borrow to cover the current financial year plus the next two financial years (i.e. to 2017/18). This provides some flexibility to borrow in advance where this is appropriate.

Table 4 highlights the Council's gross borrowing position against the CFR and confirms that the Council has complied with this prudential indicator as gross borrowing is currently within its CFR. The Council is currently under borrowed by £68.586m due to the continuing strategy to delay new external borrowing by utilising internal cash balances.

TABLE 4

	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Estimate £m	2015/16 Actual £m
Gross borrowing position (Indicator 4)*	225.354	262.832	219.979
CFR*	264.239	292.416	288.565
(Under)/Over Borrowed Position	(38.885)	(29.584)	(68.586)

**Mid Year report included PPP element of £66.986m not included in 2015/16 Estimate figure*

As part of its Annual Treasury Management Strategy the Council sets limits for external borrowing which it is not normally expected to exceed. These limits are explained below.

The Operational Boundary (Indicator 5)

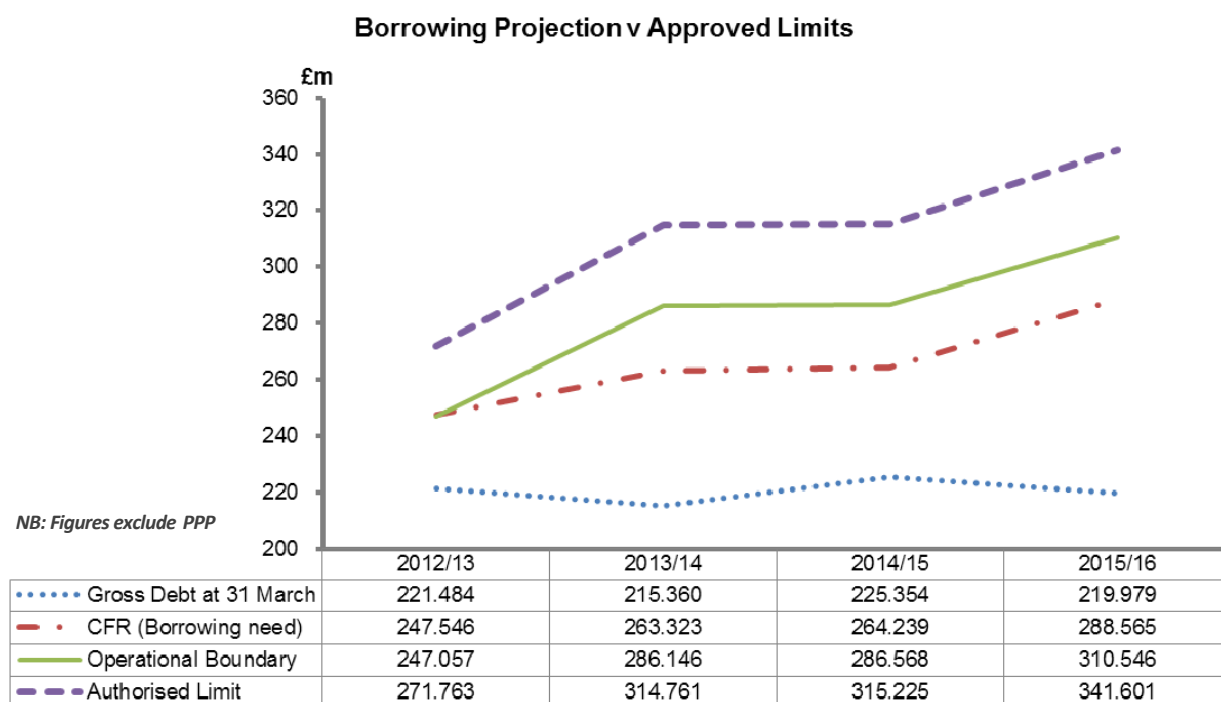
The operational boundary is the expected maximum borrowing position of the Council during the year, taking account of the timing of various funding streams and the recharge of principal repayments from the revenue account. Periods where the actual position varies from the boundary is acceptable subject to the authorised limit not being breached.

The Authorised Limit (Indicator 6)

The authorised limit represents a limit beyond which external debt is prohibited. This limit is set by Council and can only be revised by Cabinet approval. It reflects the level of external borrowing which, while not desirable, could be afforded in the short term, but is not sustainable in the longer term. The current limit is set at 10% of the Operational Boundary.

The graph below demonstrates that during 2015/16 the Council's gross borrowing was within both the operational boundary and its authorised limit by a very significant margin, due to the continuing strategy to delay new external borrowing by utilising internal cash balances and due also to some slippage in the overall capital programme, which has reduced the requirement for borrowing.

Further information on capital slippage can be found in the 'Unaudited Annual Accounts 2015/16' report, being presented to North Ayrshire Council on 15 June 2016.



(d) Treasury Position at 31 March 2016 (Prudential Indicators 7 -9)

The Council's debt and investment position is organised by the treasury management service to ensure adequate liquidity for revenue and capital activities, security for investments and to manage risks within agreed parameters. Procedures and controls to achieve these objectives are well established both through Member reporting and through the Council's Treasury Management Practices.

Borrowing Strategy for 2015/16

The Borrowing Strategy for 2015/16 anticipated low but rising bank interest rates, starting in quarter 2 of 2015, and gradual rises in medium and longer-term fixed borrowing rates during 2015/16. Variable, or short-term rates, were expected to be the cheaper form of borrowing over the period. Continued uncertainty in the aftermath of the 2008 financial crisis promoted a cautious approach, meaning that investments continue to be dominated by low counterparty risk considerations, resulting in relatively low returns compared to borrowing rates.

Given this scenario, the treasury strategy is to postpone long-term borrowing to avoid the cost of holding higher levels of investments and to reduce counterparty risk.

The actual movement in gilt yields meant that PWLB rates increased in the first half of 2015/16, but ended the year at a rate lower than it started.

Borrowing Outturn for 2015/16

The Council borrowed £1.625m during 2015/16. This was offered by the PWLB at a special 'project rate' of 2.84% available only until 31 March 2016. Due to investment concerns, both in terms of counterparty risk and low returns on investment, the Council used internal short-term cash reserves to temporarily fund its remaining borrowing requirement.

Lender	Principal	Type	Interest Rate	Maturity
PWLB	£1.625m	Fixed interest rate	2.84%	34 years

There was no requirement for temporary borrowing during the year.

Rescheduling

No rescheduling was done during the year as the average differential between PWLB new borrowing rates and premature repayment rates made rescheduling unviable.

At the beginning and the end of 2015/16 the Council's treasury position was as follows:

TABLE 5

	31 March 2015 Principal £m	Rate/ Return %	31 March 2016 Principal £m	Rate/ Return %
Fixed rate funding:				
- PWLB	165.254	5.58%	166.879	5.44%
Variable rate funding:				
- Market	60.100	6.02%	53.100	5.63%
Total debt	225.354	5.68%	219.979	5.50%
CFR	264.239		288.565	
Over / (under) borrowing	(38.885)		(68.586)	
Investments:			-	
- Internally managed	29.450	0.45%	9.850	0.51%
Total investments	29.450		9.850	

All investments at 31 March 2016 mature within one year in line with the Treasury Management Strategy. **(Indicator 7)**

The maturity structure of the debt portfolio **(Indicator 8)** at 31 March 2016 was as follows and shows the period when the Council is required to repay and/or refinance debt. It is important to ensure a reasonable spread of debt to mitigate against high exposure levels in respect of refinancing. The current profile ensures this:

TABLE 6

	31 March 2015 Actual £m	31 March 2016 Actual £m
Under 12 months	7.000	12.500
12 months and within 24 months	12.500	-
24 months and within 5 years	11.867	26.867
5 years and within 10 years	15.000	-
10 years and within 20 years	21.500	21.500
20 years and within 30 years	-	-
30 years and within 40 years	18.300	35.525
40 years and within 50 years	98.187	92.587
50 years and above	41.000	31.000
Total Borrowing	225.354	219.979

The next indicator is used to manage risk and reduce the impact of adverse movement in interest rates. This sets a limit on the Council's exposure to fixed and variable interest rates **(Indicator 9)** and was as follows:

TABLE 7

	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Estimate	2015/16 Actual
Limit on fixed rate (principal or interest)	73%	100%	76%
Limit on variable rate (principal or interest)	27%	30%	24%

(e) Affordability Prudential Indicators (Prudential Indicators 10 - 12)

These Prudential Indicators assess the affordability of capital investment plans and provide an indication of the impact of capital investment plans on the Council's overall finances.

Actual financing costs as a proportion of net revenue stream

This indicator identifies the trend in the cost of capital (borrowing and other long-term obligation costs net of investment income) against the net revenue stream and is a measure of affordability for debt repayment and shows a marginal change from 2014/15.

TABLE 8

Estimate of ratio of financing costs to net revenue stream	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Estimate	2015/16 Actual
General Services	5.3%	5.2%	5.1%
HRA	18.2%	18.5%	18.5%

This indicator shows that the % revenue stream being used to finance debt has reduced from 2015/16.

Incremental impact of capital investment decisions on council tax

This indicator identifies the impact on Council Tax charges of changes to capital investment and borrowing plans since budgets were approved. The indicator appears as a reduction where the amount of capital investment and borrowing is less than the approved budget. Given the current climate of Council Tax freeze, this indicator is purely illustrative and demonstrates what the impact could have been.

Incremental impact of capital investment decisions on housing rents

This indicator identifies the impact, on weekly housing rents, of changes to capital investment and borrowing plans since budgets were approved. The indicator appears as a reduction where the amount of capital investment and borrowing has fallen compared to the approved budgets. The values are purely indicative and do not reflect actual decreases in the housing rents which are set in accordance with the 30-year Business Plan.

TABLE 9

	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Actual
Impact on Council Tax (Band D) per annum (Indicator 11)	-£28.60	-£5.47
Impact on average housing rent per week (Indicator 12)	-£1.17	-£1.27

4. Investment Rates and Outturn 2015/16

Interest Rates

Bank Rate remained at its historic low of 0.5% throughout the year; a level that has remained unchanged since March 2009. Market expectations as to the timing of the start of monetary tightening started the year at quarter 2 2016, but moved back to around quarter 3 2016 by the end of the year. Current thinking now anticipates that rates will remain low until 2018/19. Deposit rates have remained depressed during 2015/16 as a result.

Investment Policy

The Council's investment policy is governed by Scottish Government investment regulations, which have been implemented in the annual investment strategy approved by the Council on 17 December 2014. This policy sets out the approach for choosing investment counterparties, and is based on credit ratings provided by the three main credit rating agencies, supplemented by additional market data (such as rating outlooks, credit default swaps, bank share prices etc.). This policy was adhered to at all times during 2015/16.

The Council's Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16 states that, as far as possible, the Council will endeavour to ensure that no more than 75% of the total portfolio can be placed with any one institution or group. This was complied with fully during 2015/16.

Resources

The Council's cash balances comprise revenue and capital resources and cash flow monies. The Council's cash resources were as follows:

TABLE 10

Cash Balances	2014/15 Actual £m	2015/16 Actual £m
1 April	17.600	29.450
31 March	29.450	9.850
Change in year	11.850	(19.600)

Investments held by the Council

The Council maintained an average balance of £26.638m of internally managed funds and utilised cash balances during the year in support of the under-borrowed position. The internally managed funds earned a weighted average rate of return of 0.55%. This compares to a rate of 0.45% in 2014/15. Performance was slightly above the target rate of 0.5%.

5. Performance Measurement

One of the key requirements in the Code is the formal introduction of performance measurement relating to investments, debt and capital financing activities. Whilst investment performance criteria have been well developed and universally accepted, debt performance indicators continue to be a more problematic area with the traditional average portfolio rate of interest acting as the main guide.

The Council's treasury management advisors changed to Arlingclose Limited on 1 January 2016. Arlingclose have five Scottish unitary authorities in their client group and provide regular investment benchmarking information to the Council. In terms of performance in 2015/16, North Ayrshire Council's average weighted rate of return on investments of 0.55% compared to the group average rate of 0.44%. This can be attributed to the placing of funds for longer, fixed terms during the year, which attracts a higher rate of return.

Emphasis will continue to be placed on investing with approved counterparties in accordance with the approved strategy.

6. Icelandic Bank Update

At 1 April 2015 the Council held an outstanding investment of £1.309m with Glitnir Banki hf. In September 2015, the Council sold this investment for £1.484m on the basis of legal advice received from Bevan Brittan and North Ayrshire Council's own analysis of the financial position. This resulted in £0.175m of investment interest. This concludes the Council's dealings with Icelandic banks.