

## NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

## REPORT

AGENDA ITEM NO. ....9.....

To	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	Subject	1999/2000 Budget Outturn  Economic Development  for the period ending 31 March 2000
From	DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT		
Date	24 August 2000	Ref	DP/SM

**1. Introduction**

The purpose of this report is to provide comparative information with regard to budget estimates and actual expenditure / income. Variances are reported at service level, with major variances being highlighted and the reasons for such explained.

**2. Summary of Budget Variances**

The net expenditure, in respect of Economic Development, for the financial year 1999/2000 is £1,995,831, equating to an overspend of £23,936. However, this overspend includes expenditure in relation to Apportioned Expenses, which is outwith the direct control of the department and is, therefore, not considered within this review of the year-end financial position. The following paragraph provides an explanation of Apportioned Expenses:

◆ Apportioned Expenses - £38,432 Overspend

The budgeted amounts for 1999/2000 were based upon the actual level of charges imposed in 1997/1998, adjusted to reflect anticipated changes in demand for central departments services. Since this budget was set there have been major changes within the Council, including the restructuring of departments. The actual charges for 1999/2000 reflect the demand placed upon the services of central departments during the year. Budgets for Apportioned Expenses will be realigned (with other departments of the Council) during 2000/2001 to reflect a more accurate usage profile.

The revised figure is an underspend of £14,496 and this compares with a projected underspend of £34,245, as previously reported to committee.

The projected outturn variances are the result of several factors and these are summarised in the following paragraphs.

**3. Explanations of Major Outturn Variances****3.1 Economic Development****14,496 Underspend**

The underspend within Economic Development is the net effect of a number of small variances, including:

- (i) an underspend within salaries as a result of vacancy savings; and
- (ii) an over-recovery of income as a result of the net effect of additional external funding received and an under-recovery of income in respect of the sale of directories.

4 **Management Summary**

The outturn underspend is the net effect of a number of small over and under spends and has been achieved by sound financial management within the Economic Development Unit.

5 **Financial Concurrence**

The Director of Finance concurs with the financial information contained in this report and has been fully involved in its preparation.

6 **Recommendation**

It is recommended that committee note the contents of this report.



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10 August 2000

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**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 2000**

LINE NO.	DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE	TOTAL VARIANCE	% VARIANCE	OUTWITH DEPARTMENT'S CONTROL	REVISED TOTAL	REVISED VARIANCE	% VARIANCE
1	Employee Costs	681,891	661,620	20,271 Underspend	2.97%		661,620	20,271 Underspend	2.97%
2	Property Costs	0	0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
3	Supplies and Services	8,135	11,047	(2,912) Overspend	(35.80%)		11,047	(2,912) Overspend	(35.80%)
4	Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
5	Transport and Plant	21,000	35,550	(14,550) Overspend	(69.29%)		35,550	(14,550) Overspend	(69.29%)
6	Administration Costs	127,923	132,329	(4,406) Overspend	(3.44%)		132,329	(4,406) Overspend	(3.44%)
7	Payments to Other Bodies	988,000	998,944	(10,944) Overspend	(1.11%)		998,944	(10,944) Overspend	(1.11%)
8	Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
9	Apportioned Expenses	188,946	227,378	(38,432) Overspend	(20.34%)	(38,432)	188,946	0	0.00%
10	Capital Financing Costs	0	0	0	0.00%		0	0	0.00%
11	<b>GROSS EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>2,015,895</b>	<b>2,066,868</b>	<b>(50,973) Overspend</b>	<b>(2.53%)</b>	<b>(38,432)</b>	<b>2,028,436</b>	<b>(12,541) Overspend</b>	<b>(0.62%)</b>
12	Income	44,000	71,037	27,037 Over-recovery	61.45%		71,037	27,037 Over-recovery	61.45%
13	<b>NET EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>1,971,895</b>	<b>1,995,831</b>	<b>(23,936) Overspend</b>	<b>(1.21%)</b>	<b>(38,432)</b>	<b>1,957,399</b>	<b>14,496 Underspend</b>	<b>0.74%</b>