

REPORT

TO	SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE	Subject : Financial Monitoring Report
FROM	DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	
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Introduction

The Financial Monitoring Report attached sets out the position of the Sheltered Workshops spending level against the approved budget for the period 1st April 1996 to 2nd February 1997 (i.e. 11 Accounting periods).

The report contains only that expenditure which is within the Social Work department's direct control, and therefore excludes items such as loan charges, central administration recharges, and the central repairs account, each of which will be reported by the appropriate charging department.

Background

The 1996/97 Revenue Budget was prepared at a time of major change within Local Government and in many cases without the benefit of comparative prior year information. Many expenditure heads were simply a proportionate share of the former Strathclyde region's budget, and as such may not have been specifically based on the past needs of North Lanarkshire.

Financial Performance

The total overspend for the year to date is £34,724 (or 26% of the Budget to date).

The main reason for this variance is the reduced workload of the Blindcraft workshop culminating in a reduced level of income, coupled with the insufficient level of disaggregated budget to meet the cost of existing manpower.

Recommendation

The committee note the contents of this report.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL**FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT****1 April 1996 To 2 February 1997****COMMITTEE****SOCIAL WORK****SERVICE : SHELTERED WORKSHOPS**

TOTAL BUDGET (1)	LINE NO. (2)	DESCRIPTION (3)	BUDGET TO DATE (4)	ACTUAL TO DATE (5)	VARIANCES			
					TOTAL (6)	TIMING (7)	ACTUAL (8)	% (9)
149,600		EMPLOYEE COSTS	130,000	173,551	(43,551)		(43,551)	34%
3,770		PROPERTY COSTS	3,190	13,105	(9,915)	-	(9,915)	311%
110,530		SUPPLIES AND SERVICES	90,500	63,721	26,779	-	26,779	-30%
19,480		TRANSPORT & PLANT	13,500	1,760	11,740	11,740		
570		ADMINISTRATION COSTS	480	1,085	(605)		(605)	126%
100,670		PAYMENTS TO OTHER BODIES	85,182	83,083	2,099	2,099		
-		OTHER EXPENDITURE		245	(245)	-	(245)	-
384,620		TOTAL EXPENDITURE	322,852	336,550	(13,698)	13,839	(27,537)	9%
225,850		INCOME	190,000	182,813	(7,187)	-	(7,187)	4%
158,770		NET EXPENDITURE	132,852	153,737	(20,885)	13,839	(34,724)	26%

ANALYSIS OF MAJOR VARIANCES**EMPLOYEE COSTS**

Disaggregated Budget insufficient to meet the cost of existing manpower.

PROPERTY COSTS

Mainly due to cleaning costs.

SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

Reduced level of work - linked to fall in workload of Blindcraft Workshop.

ADMINISTRATION COSTS

Telephone costs higher than expected.

OTHER EXPENDITURE

Miscellaneous items of expenditure. (subject to investigation)

INCOME

Reduced workload of Blindcraft Workshop.