21 January 2010

FINANCIAL MONITORING – REVENUE BUDGET (Report by the Head of Financial Services)

Item to follow:

ANNEX B

AMOUNTS COLLECTED AND DEBTS WRITTEN OFF

Collected

The total amount of payments received, less customer refunds and transfers to other debts:

	April to Sept 2009	Sept to Dec 2009	Total	
	£000	£000	£000	
Type of Debt				
Council Tax	44,976	21,887	66,863	
NNDR	32,684	14,625	47,309	
Sundry Debtors	3,421	1,154	4,575	
Excess Charges	83	43	126	

Amounts written off

Whilst the amounts have been written-off in this financial year, much of the original debt would have been raised in previous financial years.

	Up to £5k			Over £5k			TOTAL
	April to Sept 2009	Sept to Dec 2009	Total	April to Sept 2009	Sept to Dec 2009	Total	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Type of Debt							
Council Tax	85.2	48.4	133.6	4.7	0.0	4.7	138.3
NNDR	34.9	21.6	56.5	115.3	43.0	158.3	214.8
Sundry Debtors	22.5	11.1	33.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.6
Excess Charges	5.2	8.5	13.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.7

A larger than normal number of company liquidations has been experienced and this has led to an increase in the value of NNDR debts being written off.

Authority to write off debts

The Head of Customer Services is authorised to write-off debts of up to £5,000, or more after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Finance, if she is satisfied that the debts are irrecoverable or cannot be recovered without incurring disproportionate costs. The Head of Financial Services deputises in her absence.