BUDGET & PERFORMANCE PANEL 16 SEPTEMBER 2008

CONSIDERATION OF 2007/08 BUDGET VARIANCES

SERVICE: CULTURAL SERVICES

BUDGET/SERVICE AREA	£ (Favourable)/ Adverse	KEY REASONS/CIRCUMSTANCES	LESSONS & ACTIONS ARISEN
SALT AYRE	£56,100 AS REPORTED £54282 ACTUAL FIGURE	 £32,000 - INCREASE IN UTILITY CHARGES £17,000 - LOSS OF INCOME DUE TO BAR/CAFÉ CLOSURE, CLOSURE LONGER THAN EXPECTED AND NO REDUCTION IN REVISED CAFÉ BUDGET FOR CLOSURE BALANCE OF OVERSPEND MADE UP OF MANY SMALLER ITEMS 	FINANCE AWARENESS SESSIONS UNDERTAKEN ADDITIONAL MONITORING OF UTILITIES CLOSER WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH FINANCE TO MONITOR BUDGETS MORE EFFECTIVLY
COMMUNITY POOLS	£44,300	 £23,000 - ADDITIONAL CASUAL STAFFING AND TRAINING COSTS NOT MET BY ADDITIONAL INCOME £5,000 SWIM LESSON INCOME MOVED TO NEW YEAR IN ERROR £5,000 ADDITIONAL WATER USAGE CHARGES £5,000 ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR SCHOOL SWIMMING TRANSPORT 	 FINANCE AWARENESS SESSIONS UNDERTAKEN FOR BETTER BUDGET MONITORING AND CONTROL REVIEW OF STAFFING UNDERWAY CLOSER WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH FINANCE TO MONITOR BUDGETS MORE EFFECTIVLY

Dome	£17,000	- BALANCE OF OVERSPEND MADE UP OF MANY SMALLER ITEMS - URGENT ELECTRICAL WORKS, ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE LARGE SHOWS AND A REDUCTION IN PRIVATE HIRES - VARIABLES THAT EXIST IN THE DOMES EVENTS AND APPLICATION OF CODES FOR DIFFERENT SHOWS - EXPENDITURE ON EVENTS NOT MATCHED BY INCOME	 WITH FINANCE, CLOSER CONTROLS AND MONITORING OF SHOWS AND BUDGETS PUT IN PLACE ADDITIONAL BUDGETARY TRAINING FOR STAFF CONCERNED MORE REGULAR LIASON WITH FINANCE CAPITAL FUNDING BID DUE TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCYS
GROUNDWORK TRUST LEISURE DEVELOPMENT	(£4,400) (£10,700)	- GRANT RECEIVED (CARRY FORWARD REQUST APPROVED) - SAVING OF £5000 ON SALARIES COSTS DUE TO STAFF TURNOVER - £3200 ADDITIONAL INCOME - LEASE VEHICLE NOT CHARGED IN 07/08	EXPENDITURE DUE IN 2008/09 COMBINATION OF SMALLER ITEMS PRODUCING OVERALL SAVING IN BUDGET