

## ANGUS COUNCIL

## RESOURCES AND CENTRAL SERVICES COMMITTEE- 01 DECEMBER 2005

## SUBJECT: COUNCIL TAX COLLECTION PERFORMANCE

## REPORT BY ACTING DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

**Abstract:** This report apprises Members of the level of collection of Council Tax in the current financial year to the end of October 2005 and compares this with previous year's performance. Performance to the end of October indicates a slight improvement on the comparable position last year.

## 1 RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of this report.

## 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Council Tax is an important source of finance for the council and it is crucial that sums are collected expeditiously. Reports are made from time to time to keep Members informed of progress.

## 3 COMMENTARY

- 3.1 The following table sets out the performance figures as at the end of October 2005 for financial years 1996/97 onwards and compares these with the corresponding figures as at the end of October 2004.

Financial Year	October 2005 Proportion of Total Collected %	October 2004 Proportion of Total Collected %
1996/97	98.42	98.36
1997/98	98.60	98.51
1998/99	98.53	98.45
1999/00	98.36	98.24
2000/01	98.18	98.00
2001/02	98.03	97.70
2002/03	97.66	97.15
2003/04	97.37	96.73
2004/05	97.11	70.45
2005/06	71.13	N/A

- 3.2 It can be seen that at the end of October 2005 the collection level of 71.13% for 2005/06 compares favourably with the October 2004 collection level of 70.45% for 2004/05.
- 3.3 The Statutory Performance Indicators 2003/04 and 2004/05 were 95.0% and 95.6% respectively and the rate of 71.13% to October indicates an equally good in-year rate for 2005/06.

**4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no particular financial implications arising from this report.

**5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no Human Rights Implications arising directly from this report.

**6 CONSULTATION**

6.1 The Chief Executive and the Director of Law and Administration have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

**7 CONCLUSION**

7.1 The level of collection of Council Tax to the end of October is comparable with previous years and in fact shows a slight improvement.

**NOTE**

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

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