REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE		Report No. 15
Date of Meeting	7 <sup>th</sup> February 2008	
Title of Report	Collection Fund Valuation	
Portfolio	Leaders Responsibilities	
Link to Corporate Priorities	All	
Key Decision	Yes	
Executive Workplan Ref	A22	
Public Report	Yes	

# **Summary of Report**

This report sets out the Collection Fund Balances and its subsequent distribution.

## **Officer Recommendations**

That the Executive note the report.

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications
Yes	No	No	No	No

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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Local Authorities (Funds) (England) Regulations 1992 requires a billing authority to calculate whether there is a surplus or a deficit in its collection fund for the preceding financial year and, if so, the amount of that surplus or deficit.
- 1.2 The requirement is to state the estimate on the 15<sup>th</sup> January or first working day after if that date falls on a weekend.
- 1.3 Regulation 11 deals with the apportionment of and the liability for surplus and deficits. Any surplus or deficit post 1 April 1993 is to be shared by the billing authority and its relevant major precepting authorities in accordance with the prescribed rules.

### 2. Background

- 2.1 NWDC has in recent years had a low collection rate, improvements to this and a growth in Band D equivalents beyond that anticipated has led to a material collection fund surplus arising.
- 2.2 The Statement of Accounts for 2006/07 reflected a surplus balance on the Collection fund carried forward into 2007/08. Improved collection rates and increased collection of arrears during 2007/08 is expected to increase the surplus as projected at the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2008.

# 3. Distribution of Surplus from the Collection Fund

3.1 The surplus on the collection fund, as estimated on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008 will be distributed as follows

ORGANISATION	%	£Millions
WCC	0.70548	1.420.8
NWDC	0.15345	0.309.0
WILTS & SWINDON FIRE	0.04012	0.080.8
WILTSHIRE POLICE	0.10095	0.203.3
TOWN/PARISH	0.00000	0.000.0
TOTAL	1.00000	2.014.0

3.2 The figures shown have been taken into account in setting the budget and Council Tax for 2008/09.

Appendices:		None.
Background documents Used in preparation of this Report:	the	Statement of Accounts 2007/08

#### **Previous Decisions Connected with this Report**

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference