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To: Councillors Douglas Reid (Chair), Iain Linton (Vice-Chair), John MacKay, Maureen McKay, Jim Buchanan, Hugh Ross, Jim Todd, Robert McDill, Jim Roberts, Barney Menzies and Kathy Morrice; and Church Representatives: Maria Dorrian and Iain Rennie; Parent Representative: David Fraser; and Teacher Representative: Bryce Wilson.

11 August 2011

Dear Member

CABINET - WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST 2011

You are requested to attend a meeting of **Cabinet** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST 2011** at **1000 HOURS** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to consider the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED BY CHRISTINE BAILLIE
ON BEHALF OF

Alex McPhee
Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support
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B U S I N E S S

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

PROMOTING LIFELONG LEARNING

- 1E. MORATORIUM ON RURAL SCHOOL CLOSURES (pages 1-4)** - Submit report dated 11 July 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for a formal position on the Moratorium on Rural School Closures proposed by the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning.

- 2E. ESTABLISHMENT OF BUSINESS AND SKILLS ENTERPRISE CENTRES IN EAST AYRSHIRE SECONDARY SCHOOL (pages 5-14)** - Submit report dated 28 July 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services providing an update on the Business Enterprise Fund and seeking approval to establish Business Enterprise and Skills Enterprise Centres in each of the nine secondary schools in East Ayrshire.

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- 3E. GLOBAL SCHOOLS EXCHANGE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SRI LANKA (pages 15-21)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval to continue links between schools in East Ayrshire and those in Central Province Sri Lanka.

IMPROVING COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING

- 4. SOCIAL WORK SUSTAINABILITY: CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICE PROGRESS REPORT (pages 22-44)** - Submit report dated 26 July 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising of progress in implementing the new service design for the Children and Families Social Work Service and associated changes as set out in the Social Work Sustainability Plan and seeking approval for specific developments arising from the work streams.
- 5. DEVELOPMENT OF EAST AYRSHIRE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PARTNERSHIP (pages 45-62)** - Submit report dated 4 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the development of the East Ayrshire Violence Against Women Partnership.

IMPROVING COMMUNITY SAFETY

- 6. AUDIT OF EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL BY THE FOOD STANDARDS AGENCY 24-26 MAY 2011 (pages 63-82)** - Submit report dated 3 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support advising of an audit of East Ayrshire Council's Food Law Enforcement Service, between 24-26 May 2011, by the Food Standards Agency.

DELIVERING COMMUNITY REGENERATION

- 7. CATRINE ENVIRONMENTAL HERITAGE PROJECT - REQUEST FOR A CONTINGENCY AND BRIDGING LOAN FACILITY (pages 83-88)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services seeking authority to commit the Council to provide additional financial support to Catrine Community Trust in the form of a 10% contingency loan facility where this is required to secure confirmed external funding and also the provision of bridging loan finance to cover cash flow delays in payment of Scottish Rural Development Programme Grants.

STRATEGIC PLANNING, MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES AND EQUALITIES

- 8. EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT RETURN (pages 89-102)** - Submit report dated 26 July 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support on the proposed Efficient Government Return for approval prior to submission to CoSLA for incorporation into a Scotland-wide report for the Scottish Government.

9. **SHARED SERVICES - JOINT WORKING IN AYRSHIRE (pages 103-116) -** Submit report dated 8 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support updating Members on the progress in relation to the Shared Services Agenda and the work undertaken on a Pan-Ayrshire basis in this respect over the last twelve months. The report also seeks approval for the allocation of funds to allow for the establishment of a Shared Services Development Fund.
10. **PARTICIPATION IN SCOTTISH HUB INITIATIVE (pages 117-121) -** Submit report dated 8 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support seeking approval for East Ayrshire Council to participate in the South West Hub Territory.
11. **AFFILIATIONS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS 2011/2012 (pages 122-143) -** Submit report dated 8 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support inviting the Cabinet to consider the background, aims and objectives and activities of those organisations which have sought association with, and affiliation of, the Council.
12. **TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCING (TIF) (pages 144-146) -** Submit report dated 11 August 2011 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Chief Executive seeking approval for the Council to submit an initial application for a Tax Incremental Finance Project to support the future implementation of the draft Kilmarnock Integrated Urban Development Plan.
13. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC -** Recommend that Cabinet pass the following Resolution:- “That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Paragraphs of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item”.

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14. **UPDATE ON THE COUNCIL'S REDUNDANCY PAYMENTS SCHEME (PARA 1) (pages 147-149) -** Submit report dated 1 August 2011 by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support advising on the number of employees who have left the Council's service under the Council's Redundancy Payments Scheme via the Head of Human Resources delegated authority. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

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15. **SOCIAL WORK COMPLAINTS REVIEW PANEL (PARAS 3 & 7)**
 - 15.1 **REPORT (pages 150-182) -** Submit report dated 1 August 2011 by the Social Work Complaints Review Panel on their findings and recommendations from a meeting held on 20 January 2011. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

15.2 MINUTES (pages 183-184) - Submit Minutes of meeting of the Social Work Complaints Review Panel held on 20 January 2011. Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.