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11 June 2009

Dear Member

CABINET - 17 JUNE 2009

You are requested to attend a meeting of **CABINET** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE 2009** at **1000 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to consider the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Elizabeth Morton

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B U S I N E S S

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

LIFELONG LEARNING

- 1E. CHARGES FOR MEALS (pages 1-4)** - Submit report dated 14 May 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services proposing the revised charges for school meals and other catering services to be implemented from Monday 3 August 2009.
- 2E. REVIEW OF LETTING CHARGES FOR COMMUNITY USE OF COUNCIL PREMISES 2009/2010 (pages 5-17)** - Submit joint report dated May 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services advising Members of Cabinet of the outcome of the Review of letting categories and charges and to approve future changes.

- 3E. VOLUNTARY SECTOR GRANTS 2009/2010 (pages 18-21)** - Submit report dated 4 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for a recommendation of award in respect of Education Voluntary Sector Grants for 2009/2010.
- 4E. CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE STATUS OF THE GENERAL TEACHING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND (GTCS) (pages 22-27)** - Submit report dated 21 May 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval to submit a response on behalf of East Ayrshire Educational Services on the future status of The General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS).
- 5E. EXCAMBION OF LAND ADJACENT TO LITTLEMILL PRIMARY SCHOOL, DRONGAN (pages 28-33)** - Submit joint report dated 4 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management and the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services asking Cabinet to declare surplus to requirements land extending to 647 square metres or thereby, as shown hatched on the attached plan, authorise the disposal of same to John McCaig and Sons Ltd and authorise the acquisition of the former Littlemill School House and associated land extending to 647 square metres or thereby, shown cross hatched on the attached plan from John McCaig and Sons Ltd.
- 6E. FINANCE AND SERVICE STRATEGY REPORT - OUTTURN TO 31 MARCH 2009 (copy enclosed)** - Submit report dated 4 June 2009 by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management advising of the unaudited financial position for the year ended 31 March 2009 taking account of information provided by Executive Directors.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

- 7. COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP (CHIP) - PROGRESS REPORT (pages 34-40)** - Submit report dated 3 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services updating Members on the progress of the Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) following the mainstreaming of the initiative in 2008 and completion of the first year of the Council's Service Level Agreement with NHS Ayrshire and Arran.
- 8. RECREATION PARTNERSHIP SERVICE - PROGRESS REPORT (pages 41-48)** - Submit report dated 3 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services updating Members on the progress of the Recreation Partnership Service following the mainstreaming of the initiative in 2008 and completion of the first year of the Council's Service Level Agreement with NHS Ayrshire and Arran.
- 9. NEW SPORTING FUTURES - 2014: CHARTER FOR SPORT (pages 49-59)** - Submit report dated 3 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services outlining progress and plans in relation to the implementation of a "2014: Charter for Sport" and seeking approval of the Cabinet to implement, as part of the Charter, a Talented Athlete Fund to support local sports people in their pursuit of excellence and reduced prices for qualifying clubs at Council facilities.

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION

10. **PLAYPARK INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (pages 60-66)** - Submit report dated 11 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services updating the Cabinet on the roll-out of the Council's Playpark Investment Programme and seeking approval for the next round of investment and priority sites.
11. **MORTON PARK, DARVEL (pages 67-68)** - Submit report dated 11 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services seeking approval to allocate Capital Programme funding to Morton Park, Darvel in 2010/11 and to seek grant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund - Parks for People Programme to support a range of improvements to the park, if appropriate.
12. **MATCH FUND BUDGET 2009/10 (pages 69-71)** - Submit report dated 11 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support recommending that Cabinet approves a grant of £7,893.70 payable from the 2009/10 Match Fund budget to CREATE (Cumnock & Doon Valley Area) and to remit to the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to prepare a report on the calendar of similar events held throughout East Ayrshire.
13. **SCOTTISH PLANNING POLICY (SPP): CONSULTATIVE DRAFT (pages 72-90)** - Submit report dated 1 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support advising Cabinet and obtaining their views on the draft Consolidated Scottish Planning Policy document produced by the Scottish Government and issued for consideration in April of this year. This report is based on an Ayrshire wide response co-ordinated by the Ayrshire Joint Planning Unit.
14. **INTRODUCTION OF SHORT STAY PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND CHARGES TO THE EXTENDED QUEEN STREET CAR PARK, KILMARNOCK (pages 91-96)** - Submit report dated 5 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services seeking approval to extend short stay parking restrictions (up to four hours) and parking charges to the area of ground adjacent to the Queen Street car park, which is currently leased to Tesco. The locations of the car parks are shown in Appendix 1.
15. **CUMNOCK CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL (pages 97-102)** - Submit report dated 1 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking approval to adopt the Cumnock Conservation Area Appraisal report as supplementary planning guidance.

MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES

16. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, CRAFT EMPLOYEES AND CHIEF OFFICERS REVISED EMPLOYMENT POLICIES (pages 103-106)** - Submit report dated 29 May 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking approval to approve proposed changes to the Council's Disciplinary Policy and Procedures and the Grievance Procedure.

17. **CHIEF OFFICERS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, CRAFT OPERATIVES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME EMPLOYERS' DISCRETIONS (pages 107-113)** - Submit report dated 29 May 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support asking Cabinet to approve proposed revisions to the current Statement of Policy of Employers' Discretions which are necessary following the implementation of the new Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) to meet regulatory requirements, subject to consultation with Trade Unions.
18. **TRADE UNION CONVENOR/TIME OFF FOR TRADE UNION DUTIES, ACTIVITIES AND TRAINING (pages 114-119)** - Submit report dated 9 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking Cabinet's approval to:- (i) the proposal to have one full-time Trade Union Convenor covering all employee groups within the Council other than teachers for whom there are separate arrangements; and (ii) proposed amendments to the Council's Time Off for Trade Union Duties, Activities and Training Policy and Procedure.
19. **CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2009/2010 (pages 120-128)** - Submit report dated 4 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Chief Executive reporting progress on Corporate Health and Safety Action Plan 2008-2009 and submitting for approval the Corporate Health and Safety Action Plan for 2009-2010.
20. **GENDER EQUALITY SCHEME - PROGRESS REPORT (pages 129-155)** - Submit report dated 3 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support providing Cabinet with a progress report on the Gender Equality Scheme.
21. **COUNCIL-WIDE STRATEGIC SELF ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE - IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN (pages 156-164)** - Submit report dated 10 June 2009 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Chief Executive seeking consideration by Cabinet of the high level Improvement Action Plan in response to the Improvement Agenda arising from the second Council-wide Strategic Self Assessment of Performance.
22. **CENTRAL JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (pages 165-168)** - Submit Minutes of meeting held on 13 May 2009 for noting ([copy enclosed](#)).
23. **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 Paragraph 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND EQUALITIES

24. **COMMUNITY PLANNING AND PARTNERSHIP UNIT BEST VALUE SERVICE REVIEW (pages 169-173)** - Submit report dated 8 June 2009 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support presenting the findings of the Community Planning and Partnership Unit (CPPU) Best Value Service Review. **(The appendix to this report is attached under separate cover).**

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- 25. SEVERANCE ARRANGEMENTS (pages 174-177)** - Submit report dated 10 June 2009 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking approval of severance arrangements for seven employees within the Department of Corporate Support and Educational and Social Services.