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16 October 2008

Dear Member

CABINET - 22 OCTOBER 2008

You are requested to attend a meeting of **Cabinet** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2008** at **1000 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Elizabeth Morton

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BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

LIFELONG LEARNING

- 1E. FINANCE AND SERVICE STRATEGY REPORT TO PERIOD 6 (21 SEPTEMBER 2008)** - Submit report dated 8 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management advising Members of the projected financial position for the year based on expenditure to 21 September 2008 (Period 6) and information provided by Executive Directors.

- 2E. EAST AYRSHIRE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES PLAN: (i) ANNUAL REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE 2007/08; AND (ii) PLAN FOR 2008/11 (pages 1-80)** - Submit report dated 2 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval from Cabinet for (i) East Ayrshire's 2007/08 Annual Performance Review of the East Ayrshire Children and Young People's Services Plan 2005-2008 and (ii) seeking approval for the 2008/11 Plan.
- 3E. CURRICULUM FOR EXCELLENCE: CONSULTATION ON NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS IN SCOTLAND (pages 81-89)** - Submit report dated 10 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising Cabinet of the consultation taken place in East Ayrshire on the National Qualification proposals published by the Scottish Government.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

- 4. TOBACCO SALES ENFORCEMENT (pages 90-94)** - Submit report dated 29 September 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services advising Cabinet of recent changes in policy by the Lord Advocate to allow the use of young people to test purchase age restricted products, including cigarettes, and seeking Cabinet decision on policy on the use of minors for such purposes.
- 5. GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION: KIN (pages 95-96)** - Submit report dated 7 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising Cabinet of a grant application made by KIN and making recommendations accordingly.
- 6. SOCIAL WORK SERVICES BUDGET SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY - PROGRESS REPORT (pages 97-101)** - Submit report dated 7 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services informing Members of the Cabinet on progress in relation to the development of the Social Work Services Budget Sustainability Strategy and making recommendations accordingly.

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION

- 7. CORPORATE ENFORCEMENT UNIT UPDATE (pages 102-105)** - Submit report dated 6 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services advising Cabinet of progress made in the establishment of a Corporate Enforcement Unit (CEU) to co-ordinate the operation of Statutory enforcement duties involving the issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices and related activity.
- 8. SEAGULL CONTROL UPDATE (pages 106-108)** - Submit report dated 6 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services advising Cabinet of progress with the Seagull Control programme.

9. **CONSERVATION AREA REGENERATION SCHEME (CARS) FOR CUMNOCK AND CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL (pages 109-116)** - Submit report dated 6 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support (i) asking Cabinet to homologate the submission of the Cumnock CARS bid and to approve the identification of priority buildings and areas for improvement within Cumnock Town Centre, to confirm the Council's financial commitment to the scheme and to approve the draft Conservation Area Appraisal for consultation; and (ii) seeking approval for the creation of a new post (for an initial period of three years) to implement the Cumnock CARS within the Planning and Economic Development Division of the Department of Corporate Support, subject to consultation with Trade Unions. This staffing proposal only requires to be implemented in the event of the Cumnock CARS bid being successful.
10. **EXCAMBION OF LAND ADJACENT TO DRONGAN CEMETERY (pages 117-120)** - Submit joint report dated 13 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services declaring surplus to requirements land extending to 2,622 square metres or thereby, as shown on the attached plan, authorise the disposal of same to Kraigshield Homes Ltd and to authorise the acquisition of land extending to 1,608 square metres or thereby, shown crosshatched on the attached plan from Kraigshield Homes Ltd.

MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES

11. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2007/08 AND UPDATE ON 2008/09 STRATEGY (pages 121-138)** - Submit report dated 11 October 2008 ([copy enclosed](#)) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management informing Cabinet of the treasury activity for the financial year ended 31 March 2008. The report also covers the actual Prudential Indicators 2007/08 in accordance with the requirements of the Prudential Code and provides an update on the 2008-09 treasury management strategy.
12. **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".
13. **SEVERANCE ARRANGEMENTS (pages 139-141)** - Submit report dated 3 October 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking Cabinet's approval of severance arrangements for two employees within the Department of Educational and Social Services. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
14. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS EMPLOYERS DISCRETION (pages 142-144)** - Submit report dated 3 October 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support asking Cabinet to consider a request from a former employee for the Council to use its discretion under the Pension Regulations to authorise early payment of deferred pension benefits on

compassionate grounds. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

15. **REQUEST FOR EARLY RETIREMENT IN THE INTERESTS OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE SERVICE (pages 145-150)** - Submit joint report dated 8 September 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services and the Solicitor to the Council seeking approval for a Teacher in the Educational and Social Services Department to leave the Council's service in the interests of the efficiency of the service. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**