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18 January 2008

Dear Member

CABINET - 24 JANUARY 2008

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Cabinet** to be held on **THURSDAY 24 JANUARY 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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INTIMATE APOLOGIES

LIFELONG LEARNING

- 1E. PARENT COUNCILS OF CROSSROADS PRIMARY SCHOOL AND SORN PRIMARY SCHOOL: DEPUTATIONS (pages 1-2)** - Submit report dated 18 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support informing Cabinet of requests on behalf of the Parent Councils for Crossroads and Sorn Primary Schools to present a report/their cases to Cabinet following the conclusion of the formal consultation process in respect of the Better Schools: Better Learning: A Strategy for Developing the School Estate.



COMMUNITY PLANNING & EQUALITIES

2. **LISTENING TO THE VIEWS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (pages 3-13)** - Submit report dated January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for the arrangements which require to be put in place to establish a Children and Young People's Forum. **(Please note the roadmap produced by young people will be on display in the Meeting Room, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock from Monday 21 January 2008)**



COMMUNITY WELLBEING

3. **LEISURE SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME (pages 14-22)** - Submit report dated 17 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services seeking approval for several projects to be implemented by Leisure Services in the 2008/09 Capital Programme.



ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION

4. **TRAFFIC CALMING PROPOSALS FOR LAINSHAW AREA, STEWARTON, BENRIG AVENUE AREA, KILMAURS AND KIRKLAND ROAD AREA, DUNLOP - OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED ROAD HUMPS (pages 23-35)** - Submit report dated 7 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services advising of objections that have been received to Road Humps Notices being promoted for traffic calming proposals for Lainshaw area, Stewarton, Benrig Avenue area, Kilmaurs and Kirkland Road area, Dunlop and seeking the approval of Cabinet for the traffic calming as proposed.



5. **TRAFFIC CALMING PROPOSALS FOR A719, MAIN ROAD AND C66, FENWICK ROAD, WATERSIDE - OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED ROAD HUMPS (pages 36-41)** - Submit report dated 7 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services advising of objections that have been received to Road Humps Notices being promoted for traffic calming proposals for A719, Main Road and C66, Fenwick Road, Waterside and seeking the approval of Cabinet for the traffic calming as proposed.



6. **PROPOSED EXTENSION OF 30MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE A719 WATERSIDE (pages 42-46)** - Submit report dated 7 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services seeking approval to extend the existing 30mph speed limit on A719 Waterside.



7. **HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT 1995 - FIFTH PROGRESS REPORT 2007 (pages 47-73)** - Submit joint report dated 10 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management asking Cabinet to (i) note the contents of the Home Energy Conservation Act 1995 (HECA): Fifth Progress Report to be submitted to Communities Scotland; and (ii) approve the Action Plan to ensure continued improvement in energy efficiency, reduction in carbon emissions and reduction in fuel poverty throughout East Ayrshire.



MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES

8. **STRATEGIC REVIEW OF THE REVENUE BUDGET (SRRB) - PROGRESS REPORT UPDATE (pages 74-98)** - Submit report dated 16 January 2008 (copy enclosed) (i) providing a second progress update on the Council's Best Value Improvement Agenda Action Item No 1 - "Effective Use of Resources". Professor Arthur Midwinter has completed his independent strategic review of the Council's revenue budget and his report, including budget savings and spend proposals is now complete; and (ii) considering the final part of our Stage 2 SRRB work, requiring consideration of and proposals for the redistribution of expenditure reductions arising from our Stage 1 and Stage 2 work. It also considers spending bids from Departments, identifying services that are either not currently being provided at all; or services that could be augmented in preference to those subject to savings proposals.



9. **BUDGET 2008/09 AND 2010/11 (pages 99-107)** - Submit report dated 15 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management seeking approval of a draft General Services Revenue Budget for 2008/09 and 2010/11 to be issued for consultation to all interested parties. The feedback received during the consultation process will be used to inform the Cabinet's final consideration of the Budget on 13 February 2008.



10. **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 Paragraph of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item".
11. **2007/2008 GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGET AS AT 16 DECEMBER 2007 - PERIOD 9 (PARA 8)** - Submit report dated 10 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management advising of the projected financial position for Revenue Services based on expenditure to 16 December 2007 (Period 9) and information provided by Executive Directors. **This report is attached under separate cover. Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

- 12. PROPOSED SALE OF GROUND AT SKERNIELAND ROAD, FENWICK (PARA 9) (pages 109-119)** - Submit joint report dated 8 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management and the Solicitor to the Council seeking approval to dispose of an area of ground extending to 2.18 hectares (5.39 acres) or thereby at Skernieland Road, Fenwick, all as shown hatched on the attached plan, to the party identified in the report, under exception of an area extending to 0.2 hectares (0.5 acres) forming part thereof. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
- 13. BEST VALUE SERVICE REVIEW - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (PARAS 1 AND 11) (pages 120-124)** - Submit report dated 14 January 2008 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support informing of the outcome of a Best Value Service Review of the Information Technology Services function of the Department of Corporate Support. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**