

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9 OCTOBER 2008
AT 1123 HRS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Provost Stephanie Young and Councillors John MacKay, John McGee, Helen Coffey, Willie Coffey, Maureen McKay, Tom Cook, Robert Keohone, Douglas Reid, Jim Buchanan, Depute Provost John Campbell, Councillors Gordon Cree, John Knapp, Hugh Ross, Jim Todd, Alan Brown, Stuart Finlayson, Robert McDill, Eric Jackson, Jimmy Kelly, Neil McGhee, Jim Roberts, William Crawford, Barney Menzies, Kathy Morrice, Elaine Dinwoodie, Drew Filson and James Sutherland.

ATTENDING: Fiona Lees, Chief Executive; Elizabeth Morton, Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support; William Stafford, Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services; Alex McPhee, Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management; Bill Walkinshaw, Head of Democratic Services; David Mitchell, Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services; Iain Tough, Corporate Business Manager; and Julie McGarry, Administration Manager.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Rose-Ann Cuninghame, Iain Linton, Drew McIntyre and Eric Ross.

CHAIR: Provost Stephanie Young, Chair.

REQUISITION OF SPECIAL MEETING

1. There was submitted and noted (circulated) the requisition for the special meeting of Council.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

2. Council resolved "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 item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 9 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

**DESIGNATION OF BURIAL GROUND EXTENSIONS IN TERMS OF THE
BURIAL GROUNDS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1855 - DALRYMPLE AND
NEW CUMNOCK CEMETERIES**

3. There was submitted a joint report dated 29 September 2008 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services which advised that this special meeting was requisitioned both in terms of Section 9 of the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act 1855 and under the Standing Orders of this Council (framed in terms of Schedule 7, Paragraph 1(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1995) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support and on being required to do so by the Provost and two of the Members of Council to determine (a) whether burial ground extensions should be provided at the existing cemeteries at Dalrymple and New Cumnock; (b) that the areas of ground extending to approximately 5,045m² and 5,625m² respectively were suitable for the purposes of the said extensions; and (c) that the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services be authorised to raise such a Petition as was

necessary in the Sheriff Court as Burial Authority and to obtempter any necessary statutory procedures under the said Act.

It was agreed:

- (i) that burial ground extensions be provided at the existing cemeteries at Dalrymple and New Cumnock;
- (ii) that the areas of ground extending to approximately 5,045m² and 5,625m² respectively were suitable for the purposes of the said extensions; and
- (iii) that the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services be authorised to raise such a Petition as was necessary in the Sheriff Court as Burial Authority and to obtempter all necessary statutory procedures under the said Act.

The meeting terminated at 1127 hrs.