

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – 26TH MAY 2004

SURPLUS LAND AT DALSALLOCH WOOD, AUCHINLECK

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that Committee declare land extending to 3.25 hectares (8 acres) or thereby at Dalsalloch Wood, Auchinleck (shown on the attached plan) surplus to requirements for the purpose of disposal for potential development and authorise the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to market the subjects in accordance with Council procedures.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The land forms part of a larger title including the Marie Curie Field of Hope (shown on the attached plan) which will be retained within Council ownership.
- 2.2 The land is held on the General Services Account under the Community Services portfolio and accordingly any decision to declare the ground surplus to requirements requires the authority of this Committee.

3. CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The site is currently open space and woodland and there are no alternative uses that would prevent the land being declared surplus by the Committee.
- 3.2 The local member has been consulted and is supportive of this proposal.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The General Services account will receive a capital receipt from the sale of the ground

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising from declaring the area of ground surplus to requirements

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 It is normal Council policy to advertise buildings and land for sale on the open market unless there are special reasons to do otherwise.

7. CONCLUSIONS

- 7.1 As there are no alternative uses proposed for this site, it would be appropriate for the Committee to declare this land surplus to requirements thereby securing a capital receipt for the Council.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 It is recommended that the Committee:-
- i) declare the site at Dalsalloch Wood, Auchinleck surplus to requirements;
 - ii) remit to the Executive Director of Development and Property Services in accordance with agreed procedures; and
 - iii) otherwise note the content of this report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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