

CENTRAL JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17 MARCH 2005 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Jennifer Elliot, TGWU; Councillor John Knapp, Provost Jane Darnbrough; and Councillors Daniel Coffey, Douglas Reid and Robert McDill; Brian Reid and Graham Cumming, UNISON; Kate Connell, Ian Conn and June Minnery, GMB; William Cree and Phillip McGhee, TGWU; Andrew Wilson, UCATT; and William Hadden, AMICUS/AEEU.

ATTENDING: John Walker, Head of Building and Works; John Clayton, Head of Corporate Development and Communication; Robin Gourlay, Head of Onsite Services; Martin Rose, Head of Personnel; and Gillian Hamilton, Administrative Officer.

ALSO ATTENDING: Arthur West, UNISON; and David Doran, GMB, Joint Secretaries.

APOLOGIES: Councillors John Weir, Drew McIntyre and Jimmy Kelly; Liz McCulloch, UNISON; Tracy Dalling, UNISON; and Harry O'Neill, TGWU, Full-Time Officials; and Frank Minnery, Full-time Officer, GMB.

CHAIR: Jennifer Elliot, Chair.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

1. The Committee 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 items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 11 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. There were submitted and approved Minutes of previous meeting held on 16 December 2004 (circulated).

MATTERS ARISING

3. Budget Efficiency Savings

In response to a query from Trade Union Members about the impact of budget efficiency savings on frontline services, it was noted that the staffing implications of identified budget savings would be submitted to Service Committees as appropriate.

SINGLE STATUS UPDATE

4. There was submitted a report dated 8 March 2005 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which provided an update on the Council's response to the Scottish Joint Council Single Status Agreement.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that regular update reports would be submitted to the Committee; and

(ii) otherwise, to note the report.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

5. There was submitted and noted a report dated March 2005 (circulated) by the Head of Personnel which provided an update on the significant health and safety issues occurring during the past 12 months.

The meeting terminated at 1421 hours.