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To: Councillors Menzies (Chair), Jackson, Smith, Kelly, N McGhee, Crawford, Ross and Carmichael; and Community Representatives: Mr James Brown, Mr James Hastie, Mr William Lees, Mrs Jean Smith, Mr John Brady, Mrs Margaret Whitelaw, Mr John McBean, Mrs Margaret Campbell, Miss Elaine McIlvenney and Ms Hazel McCurdie; and Substitute Community Representatives: Mr Allan McKay, Mr James Liddel, Mrs Anne Bell, Mr Alex McCall, Mr Ian Scade and Miss Jennifer Docherty.

15 March 2004

Dear Councillor/Community Representative

CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 25 MARCH 2004

You are requested to attend the next meeting of the **Cumnock Area Local Committee** to be held in **CATRINE COMMUNITY CENTRE, INSTITUTE AVENUE, CATRINE**, on **THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2004** commencing at **1400 HOURS**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

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B U S I N E S S

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

- 1. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION** - Recommend that the Committee agree to adjourn the meeting to allow a fifteen minute (maximum) public question and answer session.

HOMES AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

2. **RENT SETTING POLICY** - Receive presentation by Joe Cassidy, Policy Manager, Department of Homes and Technical Services to consult on East Ayrshire Council's proposed Rent Setting Policy.

MINUTES

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (pages 1-6)** - Submit Minutes (copy enclosed) of the meeting held on 29 January 2004, for noting.



LOCAL ISSUES

- 4.1 **LOCAL ISSUES (pages 7-9)** - Submit report dated 9 March 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources providing information on local issues raised and, where applicable, the timescales for reporting back to the Local Committee.



- 4.2 **NEW LOCAL ISSUES** - Community Representatives are invited to raise any local items of interest for inclusion on a future Agenda.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUES

5. **APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2004/2005 (Item 7, Page 516, 03/07) (pages 10-12)** - Submit report dated 9 March 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of the position in respect of the nomination of Community Representatives from local organisations to serve on the Cumnock Area Local Committee for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.



COMMUNITY GRANTS

- 6.1 **DISBURSEMENT OF BALANCE OF FINANCIAL ALLOCATION 2003/2004** - A balance of £1,412.91 remains from the financial allocation available to this Committee for Community Grants for the current, 2003/2004, financial year and in this connection, the Committee are asked to consider applications from the following newly formed organisations, namely:-

- 6.1.1 **SKARES KINSFOLK AND RESIDENTS ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY** - Submit assessment report by the Director of Educational and Social Services (copy enclosed).



- 6.1.2 AUCHINLECK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE** - Submit assessment report by the Director of Educational and Social Services (copy enclosed).



(Note: The Local Committee have previously agreed that the balance of the financial allocation remaining for Community Grants for the current financial year should be used in respect of applications submitted by organisations newly formed during the year or are considered to be of an urgent nature).

- 6.2 FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR 2004/2005 (Item 11, Page 576, 03/07) (pages 13-20)** - Submit report dated 24 February 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources advising of (i) the financial allocation available to this Committee for Community Grants for 2004/2005; and (ii) grant spend for the last two financial years.



COMMUNITY SERVICES

- 7. POLICE REPORT (pages 21-22)** - Submit report dated 8 March 2004 (copy enclosed) by Chief Inspector Brown, Strathclyde Police, to advise of crime trends and Police activity within the local area over the recent period.



EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

- 8. ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE 2003 (Item 14, Page 3031, 99/03) (pages 23-25)** - Submit report dated 3 March 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to advise of the outcome of East Ayrshire's seventh Annual Youth Conference held in Kilmarnock College in April 2003 and of the resultant developments which have influenced the co-ordination of the 2004 Conference.

