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To: Councillors Ross (Chair), McKay, O'Neill, J McGhee, Young, Reeves, D Coffey, Reid, McIntyre, Macrae, Linton, Campbell, Murray, Finlayson, McDill, Jackson, Smith, Kelly, Farrell, Dinwoodie and Carmichael.

18 August 2004

Dear Councillor

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 24 AUGUST 2004

You are requested to attend the next meeting of the **Development Services Committee** to be held in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, on **TUESDAY 24 AUGUST 2004** at **1000 HOURS**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



David Mitchell
Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support

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B U S I N E S S

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. MONITORING REPORTS

- 1.1 ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 2 (2004) (pages 1-3)** - Submit report dated 2 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of absence rates for the Department of Development and Property Services for the quarterly period ending 30 June 2004.



2. **EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL PLAN: ALTERATION PROCESS (pages 4-5)** - Submit report dated 5 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services presenting, for information and approval, a suggested process for progressing the production of the alteration to the East Ayrshire Local Plan.



3. **EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL PLAN: DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY MONITORING REPORT (pages 6-8)** - Submit report dated 6 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services presenting, for information and approval, a monitoring report measuring development activity within East Ayrshire over the period 1 March 2001 to 31 March 2004.



4. **PETITION BY DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL TO THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT RE PLANNING APPEALS (pages 9-10)** - Submit report dated 9 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services responding to a request by Dundee City Council regarding a petition by them to the Scottish Executive to amend the current planning appeals legislation to give Councils the final decision on the planning merits of an application which is not "called in" by Scottish Ministers.



5. **PRESSURES AND IMPACTS ON SCOTLAND'S WATER ENVIRONMENT (SEPA) REPORT AND CONSULTATION (pages 11-18)** - Submit report dated 4 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the contents of the report and consultation document "Pressures and Impacts on Scotland's Water Environment" recently issued by SEPA and seeking agreement to the draft response on the above consultation document set out in the report.



6. **A719 MOSCOW TRAFFIC CALMING - OBJECTIONS TO THE ROAD HUMPS NOTICE (pages 19-22)** - Submit report dated 4 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (i) advising of the objections to the Road Humps Notice being promoted in association with traffic calming proposals for the A719 through Moscow; and (ii) seeking approval for the traffic calming as proposed.



7. **BUS SHELTER ADVERTISING CONTRACT - FIVE YEARLY REVIEW (pages 23-26)** - Submit report dated 2 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (i) advising that J C DeCaux, the contractor operating the bus shelter advertising contract has requested a five yearly review as provided for in the contract document; (ii) advising of the financial, policy and legal implications for the Council of the proposals contained in the review; and (iii) seeking authorisation for the

Executive Director of Development and Property Services to respond to this request for a review and to enter into discussions with J C DeCaux.

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8. **PROPOSED ADDITIONAL FLOOD PREVENTION MEASURES IN THE IRVINE VALLEY (pages 27-28)** - Submit report dated 2 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services informing of progress to date with the Council's proposed flood prevention works for Galston.

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9. **AWARD OF DIAL-A-BUS CONTRACTS AND LOCAL BUS SERVICE CONTRACTS (pages 29-30)** - Submit report dated 9 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (i) advising of a change to the award of the replacement Dial-a-Bus and local service contracts to that previously indicated to Committee; and (ii) seeking agreement for the increase cost to the Council of the change in award.

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10. **CONSTRUCTION SKILLS PROJECT (pages 31-35)** - Submit joint report dated 17 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support and Executive Director of Development and Property Services seeking approval to participate in a new Construction Skills Project.



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11. **UNEMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 36-40)** - Submit report dated 30 July 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (i) informing of changes to the unemployment figures that will be used to report to Committee; and (ii) suggesting the annual submission of an additional report covering wider economic issues.

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12. **SURPLUS PROPERTY - LAND AT GARDEN STREET, GALSTON (pages 41-43)** - Submit report dated 20 July 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting to declare the subjects comprising an area of land extending to 1352m² (0.33 acres) or thereby at Garden Street, Galston, surplus to requirements for the purpose of disposal for potential development and authorising the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to market the subjects in accordance with Council procedures.

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13. **FINAL MEASUREMENT ON CONTRACTS (pages 44-45)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services informing on final measurements for contracts.

14. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 46-50)** - Submit report dated 12 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Acting Executive Director of Corporate Support providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.

15. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** - Recommend that the Committee pass the following resolution: "That under Section 50(A)(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 Paragraphs 6 and 9 of Schedule 7A of the Act".
16. **APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: GALSTON COMPANY (pages 51-55)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services seeking approval to make loan funding available to a Galston company, as part of a wider funding package to support the expansion of the business at its site in Galston. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
17. **APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: CUMNOCK COMPANY (pages 56-59)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2004 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services seeking approval to make grant funding to a Cumnock company to complete a funding package that will facilitate a major expansion of the business, create 50 new jobs and bring back to life, 61,000 sq ft industrial unit at Cumnock. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**