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

2 March 2006

Dear Councillor

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 8 MARCH 2006

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Development Services Committee** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH 2006** at **1000 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Elizabeth Morton
Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support

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INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. MONITORING REPORTS

- 1.1 **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 4 (2005) (pages 1-3)** - Submit report dated 16 February 2006 (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 quarter period ending 31 December 2005.



- 1.2 HEALTH AND SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2006-2007 (pages 4-10)** - Submit report dated 28 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of an updated Departmental Health and Safety Action Plan for 2006/2007.



- 1.3 EAST AYRSHIRE RACE EQUALITY SCHEME - ANNUAL DEPARTMENTAL MONITORING REPORT (pages 11-14)** - Submit report dated 28 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services updating on the Department's implementation of the Council's Race Equality Scheme.



- 1.4 BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOANS: STATUS REPORT (pages 15-20)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services informing of companies which have received financial support under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes in the period from 1 June 2005 to 28 February 2006.



- 1.5 BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO 5 FEBRUARY 2006 (PERIOD 11) (pages 21-24)** - Submit joint report dated 1 March 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Development and Property Services for the period ended 5 February 2006 (Period 11).



- 1.6 BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - ROADS CONTRACTS, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND STREET LIGHTING TO 5 FEBRUARY 2006 (PERIOD 11) (pages 25-27)** - Submit joint report dated 1 March 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Roads Contracts, Vehicle Maintenance and Street Lighting for the period ended 5 February 2006 (Period 11).



2. **PLANNING ETC. (SCOTLAND) BILL (pages 28-41)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the contents of the Planning etc. (Scotland) as laid before the Scottish Parliament and to homologate the comments submitted to the Parliament's Communities Committee.



3. **SEPA POLICY AND PROVISION OF WASTEWATER DRAINAGE IN SEWERED AREAS: CONSULTATION PAPER (pages 42-46)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising and obtaining the Committee's views on a Consultation Paper on SEPA's Policy and Provision of Wastewater Drainage in Sewered Areas, and to homologate the Officer response on the document already sent.



4. **PLANNING GAIN SUPPLEMENT: A CONSULTATION (pages 47-50)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising and seeking the Committee's views on a Consultation Paper entitled 'Planning Gain Supplement' issued by HM Treasury and the Office for the Deputy Prime Minister, and to homologate the Officer response on the document already sent.



5. **WEST OF SCOTLAND ARCHAEOLOGY SERVICE (pages 51-54)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the performance of the West of Scotland Archaeology Service in the financial year 2004/05, and to report on the budgetary provision in terms of the Code of Practice on Funding External Bodies, Following The Public Pound.



6. **SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR A PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS' COMMITTEE FOR SCOTLAND (pages 55-60)** - Submit report dated 16 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the Scottish Executive's consultation on Proposals for a Public Transport Users' Committee for Scotland, and to request the Committee to endorse the draft WESTRANS response to the Consultation.



7. **BUDGETARY ALLOCATION (pages 61-62)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting the Committee to agree the allocation of £150,000 of the Roads revenue budget and named schemes as detailed in the report.

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8. **ROAD CASUALTY REDUCTION TARGETS (pages 63-66)** - Submit report dated 27 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services informing of the significant reduction in road casualties in East Ayrshire during 2005.

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9. **CAPITAL ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS: A719 WATERSIDE TRAFFIC CALMING AND SOUTHCRAIG DRIVE, KILMARNOCK TRAFFIC CALMING - OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED ROAD HUMPS (pages 67-79)** - Submit report dated 28 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (a) advising of objections that have been received to Road Humps Notices being promoted for proposals for traffic calming on the A719 through Waterside and on Southcraig Drive, Kilmarnock; and (b) to seek approval for the traffic calming as proposed.

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10. **RENEWAL OF LOCAL BUS SERVICE CONTRACTS 6951C: AYR-DALMELLINGTON SERVICE 52 (pages 80-82)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting the views of the Committee on the renewal of Local Bus Service Ayr to Dalmellington Service 52, Contract 6951C from 16 July 2006, and the extension of the current contract for the service, 6951B from 26 March 2006 until 15 July 2006.

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11. **KILMARNOCK HOPPER BUS SERVICE (pages 83-85)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising of the growth and passenger numbers on the Kilmarnock Hopper Bus Service.

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12. BUSINESS PLANS

- 12.1 **STREET LIGHTING UNIT BUSINESS PLAN (pages 86-96)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development Services updating on current procurement arrangements for Street Lighting maintenance and to seek approval for the Business Plan for the Street Lighting Unit for 2006-2007.

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- 12.2 TRANSPORT SERVICES - PROCUREMENT ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSPORT SERVICES UNIT BUSINESS PLAN (pages 97-123)** - Submit report dated 27 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services updating on current procurement arrangements for Transport Services and seeking approval for the Transport Services Business Plan for 2006/2007.



- 12.3 PROCUREMENT OF ENGINEERING WORK AND ROADS CONTRACTS BUSINESS PLAN (pages 124-158)** - Submit report dated 28 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services informing of the projected requirement for the procurement of engineering works under the control of the Department of Development and Property Services and recommending approval of the Business Plan for the Roads Contracts Unit as Best Value suppliers for a range of work required to be contracted by the Department.






- 13. WORKING FOR FAMILIES (pages 159-184)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (a) informing of the progress made by the Working for Families Project; (b) seeking approval to extend the geographical coverage of the Working for Family Project; (c) seeking approval for amendments to the staffing structure of the Working for Families project within the Department of Development and Property Services, subject to consultation with Trade Unions; and (d) seeking approval to incorporate within Working for Families a proportion of the service provision currently undertaken by East Ayrshire Employment Initiative, subject to approval by the Community Planning Partnership.



- 14. EUROPEAN UNION REGIONAL AND STATE AIDS (pages 185-192)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services (a) informing of the current position and to highlight issues regarding the arrangements for the delivery of European Union Regional Aid, State Aids, Rural Development Regulation funding post 2006; and (b) to obtain authority for Elected Members and Officers of the Council to participate fully in the continued lobbying of the Scottish Executive, UK Government and European Institutions through the Alliance for Regional Aid and other organisations including the West of Scotland European Consortium, and the Coalfields Communities Campaign with a view to securing appropriate Regional, State Aid and Rural Development Regulation support for East Ayrshire post 2006.



15. **CORE FUNDING PAYMENTS TO EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS, SUBSCRIPTIONS TO EXTERNAL BODIES AND FUNDING FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2006/2007 (pages 193-198)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services seeking approval to make payments to external bodies, partnerships and special projects in the financial year 2006/2007.

16. **SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE - REGENERATION POLICY STATEMENT** - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services.

17. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 199-202)** - Submit report dated 23 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.

18. **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 Paragraph 9 of Schedule 7A of the Act".
19. **UNITS 1-4 AND 9A&B, STATION ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, MAUCLINE (pages 203-205)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting authority to declare surplus Units 1-4 and 9A&B Station Road, Mauchline, for the purpose of the disposal to Craftsman Cladding. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
20. **UNITS 7 & 8 STATION ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, MAUCLINE (pages 206-208)** - Submit report dated 17 February 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting authority to declare surplus Units 7 & 8 Station Road, Mauchline, for the propose of the disposal to the Chilli Group. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**