

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

### DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – 4 MAY 2004

#### BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOANS : STATUS REPORT

##### Report by Executive Director of Development and Property Services

## 1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of companies which have received financial support under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes in the period from 1 October 2003 to 31 March 2004.

## 2 RECENT BUSINESS SUPPORT AWARDS

- 2.1 The support offered to companies under the Council's Business Loans and Grants Schemes, as approved under the Scheme of Delegation is shown in the attached tables. The information provided includes:

the client;  
the location of the client company;  
the means of support; and  
the relevant statistical data.

## 3. CUMULATIVE ACTIVITY ON LOAN FUNDING IN FINANCIAL YEAR

- 3.1 The cumulative projected outcomes on loan funding activity for the financial year 2003/04 are as follows:

<u>No of approved cases</u>	<u>Existing Jobs</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Total</u>
12	347	128	475

## 4. POLICY AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The support to business under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes will contribute towards the achievement of the Council's policy objectives defined in the Council Plan.
- 4.2 Funding for the business support awards has been drawn from the West of Scotland Loan Fund and the approved Business Grants Budget 2003/2004 within which resources are available.

## 5. LEGAL AND PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Appropriate contractual documentation for each award of business support is prepared and issued in conjunction with the Solicitor to the Council.
- 5.2 There are no personnel implications.

## **6. RECOMMENDATION**

- 6.1** That the Committee notes the awards of business support provided to local companies during the period 1 October 2003 to 31 March 2004, as detailed in the table attached to this report.

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**Executive Director of Development and Property Services**

19 April 2004/jrs

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil**

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**BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOANS : 1 OCTOBER 2003 to 31 MARCH 2004**

<b>BUSINESS GRANTS</b>				
<b>ELECTORAL WARD</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>BUSINESS</b>	<b>TYPE OF SUPPORT</b>
<b>Approved under Scheme of Delegation</b>				
Ward 2 Stewarton Central	Stewarton	Lochaven of Scotland Ltd	Textile Products	Grant to support the relocation of the business from Renfrewshire.
Ward 14 Grange/Howard	Kilmarnock	Davian Designs	Manufacturer of stain glass windows	Grant to support the relocation costs of the business.
Ward 23 Catrine/Sorn/Mauchline East	Mauchline	William Milligans & Sons	Coach Hirers	Consultancy grant on property options
Ward 26 Ochiltree/Skares/ Netherthird & Craigens	Cumnock	Swift Autos	Transport	Grant to support the relocation costs of the business.
Ward 26 Ochiltree/Skares/ Netherthird & Craigens	Cumnock	Walker Footwear Ltd	Textile Products	Grant to support the relocation costs of the business.
Ward 26 Ochiltree/Skares/ Netherthird & Craigens	Cumnock	Original Shoe Ltd	Retail/HQ fuction	Consultancy grant on property options.
Ward 27 Auchinleck	Auchinleck	Nightingale House Nursing Home	Nursing Home	Employment grant.
Ward 28 Cumnock West	Cumnock	Kerr & Smith (Cumnock) Ltd	Sales, Maintenance & Repair of Motor Vehicles. HQ function.	Grant to support the expansion of the business.

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Ward 31 Dalmellington	Dalmellington	Dalmellington Book Town	Booksellers	Grant to support the development of the business.
Ward 31 Dalmellington	Loch Doon	Loch Doon Cafe	Lochside Cafe	Grant to support the development of the business.
Ward 32 New Cumnock	New Cumnock	Lochside House Hotel Ltd	Hotel	Employment grant to support capital expansion.

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<b>ELECTORAL WARD</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>BUSINESS</b>	<b>EXISTING EMPLOYEES</b>	<b>NEW EMPLOYEES</b>
<b>Approved under Scheme of Delegation</b>					
Ward 2 Stewarton Central	Stewarton	Lochaven of Scotland Ltd	Textile Products	0	30
Ward 14 Grange/Howard	Kilmarnock	Davian Designs	Manufacturer of stain glass windows	2	3
Ward 22 Mauchline	Mauchline	Burnswell Spring (Mauchline) Ltd	Spring water bottlers	0	5
Ward 26 Ochiltree/Skares/ Netherthird & Craigens	Cumnock	Swift Autos	Transport	130	10
Ward 27 Auchinleck	Auchinleck	Nightingale House Nursing Home	Nursing Home	16	15
Ward 28 Cumnock West	Cumnock	Kerr & Smith (Cumnock) Ltd	Sales, Maintenance & Repair of Motor Vehicles. HQ function.	51	7
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>199</b>	<b>70</b>