

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 31 JANUARY 2006

NETHERTHIRD COMMUNITY CAMPUS: CONSULTATION ARRANGEMENTS

Report by Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Members of the Education Committee to consult on proposals to provide a new Netherthird Community Centre on the existing Community Centre Campus.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At Education Committee of 25 May 2004 a Committee paper “*Community Facilities*” was presented and approved. One of the recommendations arising from this paper was a need to review the current community facilities on the Netherthird Community Centre Campus.
- 2.2 At Education Committee of 22 March 2005, £200,000 was allocated for the purposes of building a new community facility.

3. THE PROPOSALS

- 3.1 Work has been ongoing with the Netherthird Community Association and user groups to hear their views about the type of resource they would like to replace the existing community centre. Officers from the Community Learning and Development Service met with a number of Centre users along with young people from the local area to explore the type of facility which they would like within their local area.
- 3.2 As a result of this early work draft proposals are now available for wider consultation with the community.
- 3.3 The proposal for consultation will replace the current Netherthird Community Centre, Netherthird IFE Wing and Netherthird Older People’s Cabin into one purpose built community facility.
- 3.4 It is proposed that consultation takes place during the month of February, the outcome of which will be reported back to the next Education Committee.

4. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Nil

5. COMMUNITY PLANNING/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1** The proposal to replace the existing Community Centre is contained within the Promoting Community Learning Theme of East Ayrshire's Community Plan.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1** Once the consultation phase is completed a full costed proposal will be finalised.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1** Members of Education Committee are asked to:
- (i) approve the consultation arrangements as set out in this report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Education Committee – 25 May 2004 – Community Facilities
2. Education Committee – 22 March 2005 – Educational Capital Programme 2005/06 and School Estate Management Plan 2005

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