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To: Councillors Farrell (Chair), McKay, O'Neill, Young, Reeves, W Coffey, Reid, McIntyre, Linton, Campbell, Provost Darnbrough and Councillors Knapp, McDill, Jackson, Smith, Kelly, N McGhee, Ross, Dinwoodie, Stewart and Carmichael; Church Representatives: Bill McGregor, John McHugh and Dr Ivy Barclay; Teacher Representative: Iain Harvey; and Parent Representative: George Hammersley.

5 September 2006

Dear Member

EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 12 SEPTEMBER 2006

You are requested to attend the next meeting of the **Education Committee** to be held in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, on **TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2006 at 1000 HOURS**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Elizabeth Morton
Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support

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BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - EDUCATION TO 23 JULY 2006 (PERIOD 4) (pages 1-4)** - Submit joint report dated 24 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services and the Executive Head of Finance advising on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Educational Services for the period ended 23 July 2006 (Period 4).



2. **LEADERSHIP SUMMER SCHOOL (pages 5-9)** - Submit report dated 3 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and

Social Services describing a Leadership Summer School attended by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services and highlighting its significance for practice in East Ayrshire.



3. **POST SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (pages 10-12)** - Submit report dated 28 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for the use of funds allocated under the Scottish Executive Strategy "More Choices, More Chances".



4. **SCOTTISH SURVEY OF ACHIEVEMENT (2005) 5-14 (pages 13-16)** - Submit report dated 24 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the outcomes of the first Scottish Survey of Achievement in respect of 5-14 performance in East Ayrshire schools benchmarked against national average and comparator authorities.



5. **GETTING IT RIGHT FOR EVERY CHILD (pages 17-20)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the "Getting it Right for Every Child" (GIRFEC) policy developments and alerting Committee to specific proposals that will result in a significant change for Children's Services across Scotland.



6. **SCOTTISH SCHOOL (PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT) ACT - IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING IN 2006/07 (pages 21-23)** - Submit report dated 25 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services informing on progress with the implementation of the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act and development plans within East Ayrshire.



7. **THE USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) IN EDUCATION IN EAST AYRSHIRE - UPDATE (pages 24-28)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the successful use of ICT in schools in East Ayrshire to support learning and teaching.



8. **PROGRESS REPORT ON SCHOOL/AUTHORITY COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP (pages 29-32)** - Submit report dated September 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

informing on the Authority's relationship with further education colleges, their joint activities and plans for future developments.

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9. **A CURRICULUM FOR EXCELLENCE IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 33-34)** - Submit report dated 28 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services informing on progress made with regards to A Curriculum for Excellence developments in East Ayrshire.

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10. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 2 (1 APRIL - 30 JUNE 2006) (pages 35-40)** - Submit report dated 21 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on absence rates for teaching and APT & C Staff in Educational Services for the period 1 April to 30 June 2006.

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11. **FUNDING OF ADDITIONAL TEACHERS IN 2006/07 (pages 41-42)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services providing an update on additional funding being provided to employ additional teachers in session 2006/07 and seeking approval for its use.

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12. **ADULT LITERACY AND NUMERACY ACTION PLAN 2004-2006 ANNUAL REPORT (pages 43-45)** - Submit report dated 22 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the Annual Report relating to the East Ayrshire Action Plan on Adult Literacy and Numeracy 2004-2006.

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13. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION REVISED ADVISORY FLOOR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2006/07 FOR PARTNER PROVIDERS (pages 46-48)** - Submit report dated 18 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the revised pre-school advisory floor for academic year 2006-07 further to the letter from the Scottish Executive Education Department of 10 August 2006 and seeking Members' approval to implement this revision.

Consider reconsideration of this item, in terms of Standing Order 40.

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14. **CHILDCARE STRATEGY AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT 2006/07 (pages 49-51)** - Submit report dated 18 July 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services advising on progress with the Childcare Strategy and Workforce Training and Development.

15. **NATIONAL YOUTH WORK STRATEGY CONSULTATION: "YOUTH WORK - OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL" (pages 52-53)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services informing on the National Youth Work Strategy Consultation: "Youth Work - Opportunities for All" and the arrangements which will be put in place with regard to seeking views from the statutory sector, voluntary sector and importantly young people.

16. **BEST VALUE REVIEW (EARLY YEARS) (pages 54-59)** - Submit report dated 30 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services informing on the findings of the Early Years Best Value Review and making recommendations accordingly.

17. **BUILDING LEARNING COMMUNITIES - PROJECT UPDATE (pages 60-61)** - Submit report dated 1 September 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services providing an update on the current status of the project.

18. **NAME OF AMALGAMATED SCHOOL OF ST MATTHEW'S AND ST COLUMBA'S PRIMARY SCHOOLS (pages 62-63)** - Submit report dated 4 September 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services requesting Committee to name the primary school which will be formed from the amalgamation of St Matthew's and St Columba's Primary Schools.

19. **DECLARATION OF SURPLUS LAND - CESSNOCK ROAD, HURLFORD (pages 64-66)** - Submit report dated 15 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval to declare land located at Cessnock Road, Hurlford, surplus to the requirements of the Education Services and remitting the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to dispose of the ground.

20. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 67-74)** - Submit report dated 9 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support providing, for information, details of tenders which have

been accepted. The amounts shown are the actual costs of the contracts and are exclusive of professional fees.



21. **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 1 and 11 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

22. **EDUCATION FINANCE MANAGER (pages 75-76)** - Submit report dated 15 August 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for an amendment to the staffing structure of Educational Services. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**