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To: Councillors Kelly (Chair), Young, Coffey, Reid, Cree, Weir, McIntyre, Macrae, Campbell, Knapp, Raymond, Finlayson, McDill, Jackson, Smith, Farrell, Menzies, N McGhee, Ross, Dinwoodie and Stewart.

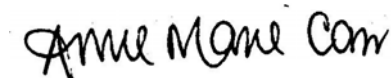
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Dear Councillor

HOUSING COMMITTEE - 17 MAY 2006

You are requested to attend the meeting of the **Housing Committee** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2006**, commencing 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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BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

- 1. A SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY FOR OLDER PEOPLE IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 1-39)** - Submit joint report dated 24 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services to (i) present the Final Report on the Best Value Review of Sheltered Housing Warden Service as agreed by the Member/Officer Working Group on 12 April 2006; and (ii) to seek approval for the recommendations contained therein.

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- 2. AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 40-44)** - Submit report dated 4 May 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to provide, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.

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3. **REINSTATEMENT OF FIRE DAMAGED PROPERTIES AT 76 CRAIGLEA CRESCENT, BELLSBANK AND 79 BARBIESTON TERRACE, DALRYMPLE (pages 45-46)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to advise of the contractual overspend on the project for the reinstatement of fire damaged properties at 76 Craiglea Crescent, Bellsbank, and 79 Barbieston Terrace, Dalrymple.

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4. **REINSTATEMENT OF FIRE DAMAGED PROPERTY AT 57 BARSHARE ROAD, CUMNOCK (pages 47-48)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to advise of the contractual overspend on the project for the reinstatement of the fire damaged property at 57 Barshare Road, Cumnock.

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5. **HOUSING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2005/2006 (pages 49-51)** - Submit joint report dated 18 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to advise of the anticipated outturn of the Housing Investment Programme 2005/2006.

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6. **HOUSING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2006/2007 TO 2010/2011 (pages 52-54)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to seek approval for the five year Housing Investment Programme 2006/2007 to 2010/2011.

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7. **HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME UPDATE (pages 55-57)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to update on the East Ayrshire Council Development Programme for 2005/2006, developed in response to identified Community Care and other service users' housing needs in East Ayrshire.

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8. **HOUSING SERVICE BUSINESS PLAN 2006/2009 (pages 58-164)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to seek approval for the Housing Service Business Plan for the period 2006/2009.

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9. **IMPROVING HOUSING REPAIRS SERVICES IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 165-174)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to recommend proposals submitted by the Joint Working Group comprising Officers and Tenant Representatives to improve the Council House Repairs Service.

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10. **EAST AYRSHIRE CARE AND REPAIR PROJECT (pages 175-180)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to inform of the current position regarding progress of the East Ayrshire Care and Repair Scheme, which provides services to elderly and vulnerable home owners, for the year 2005/2006, and prioritisation procedures for the introduction of a waiting list.

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11. **PROPOSAL TO SET UP JOINT TEAM INITIATIVE WITHIN SUPPORTING PEOPLE FRAMEWORK (pages 181-184)** - Submit report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to seek approval for the establishment of a Joint Team with staff from the Pension Service, part of the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), based within the Supporting People Team.

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12. **COMMON HOUSING REGISTER (pages 185-188)** - Submit report dated 27 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to update on the development of the Common Housing Register and to seek approval to extend the development process.

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13. **PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANT (pages 189-191)** - Submit report dated 12 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the level of budget approved by Communities Scotland for Private Sector Housing Grant in 2006/2007; and to provide details of the projects and activities for which the funding has been approved.

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14. **FORMER TENANT ARREARS (pages 192-193)** - Submit report dated 2 May 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to seek approval for writing off those former tenant arrears which are no longer economically viable to pursue.

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15. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 1 (2006) FOR HOUSING AND BUILDING AND WORKS SERVICES (pages 194-196)** - Submit report dated 12 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of absence rates for the Housing and

Building and Works Services within the Department of Neighbourhood Services for the quarterly period ending 31 March 2006.

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16. **PROPOSED TRANSFER OF LAND AT STONER CRESCENT AND HILLSIDE CRESCENT, AUCHINLECK (pages 197-200)** - Submit report dated 25 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of land at Stoner Crescent and Hillside Crescent, Auchinleck, extending to 0.25 hectares (0.60 acres) or thereby, for the purpose of a transfer to the Department of Educational and Social Services.

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17. **PROPOSED TRANSFER OF LAND AT BACKROGERTON CRESCENT/BARBIESTON ROAD, AUCHINLECK (pages 201-204)** - Submit report dated 25 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of land at Backrogerton Crescent and Barbieston Road, Auchinleck, extending to 5,251 m² or thereby, for the purpose of a transfer to the Department of Educational and Social Services.

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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 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

19. **LAND ADJACENT TO 30 MACPHAIL DRIVE, KILMARNOCK (pages 205-208)** - Submit joint report dated 21 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground located adjacent to 30 MacPhail Drive, Kilmarnock, extending to 208m², or thereby, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

20. **GROUND AT REID PLACE, DRONGAN (pages 209-211)** - Submit joint report dated 26 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of land at Reid Place, Drongan, extending to 0.1186 hectares (0.293 acres), or thereby, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

21. **LAND LOCATED AT THE REAR OF PREMISES AT 2-6 NITH PLACE, KILMARNOCK (pages 212-215)** - Submit joint report dated 19 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground located at the rear of the premises at 2-6 Nith Place, Kilmarnock, extending to 286m², or thereby, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

22. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJACENT TO 13 BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK (pages 216-219)** - Submit joint report dated 28 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements two plots of land extending to 13m², or thereby, and 20m², or thereby, respectively, situated adjacent to 13 Bank Avenue, Cumnock, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

23. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJACENT TO 25 LOCH ROAD, MAUCLINE (pages 220-223)** - Submit joint report dated 28 April 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirements a plot of ground extending to 27m², or thereby, situated adjacent to 25 Loch Road, Mauchline, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**