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

31 August 2005

Dear Councillor

HOUSING COMMITTEE - 7 SEPTEMBER 2005

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Housing Committee** to be held on **WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2005** 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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INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. BUDGETARY REPORTS

- 1.1 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 24 JULY 2005 (PERIOD 4) (pages 1-3)** - Submit joint report dated 12 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the current budgetary control position for the Housing Revenue Account for the period ended 24 July 2005 (Period 4).



- 1.2 GENERAL FUND HOUSING TO 24 JULY 2005 (PERIOD 4) (pages 4-5)** - Submit joint report dated 12 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the General Fund Housing for the period ended 24 July 2005 (Period 4).



- 1.3 SUPPORTING PEOPLE ADMINISTRATION TO 24 JULY 2005 (PERIOD 4) (pages 6-7)** - Submit joint report dated 12 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Supporting People Administration for the period ended 24 July 2005 (Period 4).



- 1.4 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TO 24 JULY 2005 (PERIOD 4) (pages 8-9)** - Submit joint report dated 12 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Anti-Social Behaviour for the period ended 24 July 2005 (Period 4).



- 1.5 BUILDING AND WORKS TO 24 JULY 2005 (PERIOD 4) (pages 10-11)** - Submit joint report dated 23 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Building and Works for the period ended 24 July 2005 (Period 4).



- 2. FINAL MEASUREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS (pages 12-14)** - Submit report dated 23 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to inform on final measures for contracts.



- 3. AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 15-21)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to provide, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.



4. **HOUSING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2005/2006 (pages 22-25)** - Submit joint report dated 17 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services to advise of the current status of projects within the Housing Investment Programme 2005/2006 and to set out the current position in relation to financial monitoring and physical progress.

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5. **EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY 2004-2009: 2005 UPDATE (pages 26-93)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to request that the Committee (a) note the contents of the recent update of the East Ayrshire Local Housing Strategy 2004-2009, and approve the amendments to the Strategy detailed therein; and (b) approve the contents of the East Ayrshire Fuel Poverty Strategy, developed as an annex to the East Ayrshire Local Housing Strategy 2004-2009.

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6. **PROGRESS IN TACKLING ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 94-127)** - Submit report dated 23 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to advise of progress in the Building Strong Safe and Attractive Communities Initiative within East Ayrshire during the past 12 months and of the Scottish Executive's proposals to continue providing funding to tackle Anti-Social Behaviour, linked to an accountability framework and local Anti-Social Behaviour outcome agreements.






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7. **HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME UPDATE (pages 128-133)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to update on the East Ayrshire Council Development Programme which is designed to respond to identified Community Care and other service users' housing needs in East Ayrshire.

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8. **LANDLORD LEASING SCHEME (pages 134-137)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to recommend to the Committee the introduction of a Landlord Leasing Scheme in East Ayrshire.

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9. **REGULATION OF PRIVATE LANDLORDS CONSULTATION PAPER (pages 138-146)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to enable the Committee to consider (a) the Scottish Executive's Consultation Paper on the Regulation of Private Landlords; and (b) the proposed East Ayrshire Council response to the Consultation Paper.

10. **FORMER TENANT ARREARS (pages 147-148)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to seek approval for writing off of those former tenant arrears which are no longer economically viable to pursue.

11. **SERVICE IMPROVEMENT REPORT (pages 149-159)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to update on activity and progress in relation to Best Value within housing in the last year.

12. **PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (pages 160-165)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to inform of Housing Service performance in relation to Statutory Key Performance Indicators for the year 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.

13. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 2 (2005) FOR HOUSING AND BUILDING AND WORKS SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES (pages 166-168)** - Submit report dated 17 August 2005 (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 30 June 2005.

14. **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".
15. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND AT KINGS WAY, CUMNOCK (pages 169-172)** - Submit report dated 16 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to request that the Committee declare surplus to requirement an area of ground at Kings Way, Cumnock, extending to 1.864 hectares (4.61 acres) or thereby, and authorise disposal of

same to Shire Housing Association. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

16. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJOINING 30 ANNANDALE VIEW, CROSSHOUSE (pages 173-175)** - Submit report dated 9 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services requesting that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground extending to 151m² or thereby situated adjoining 30 Annandale View, Crosshouse, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
17. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJOINING 77 RIGGHEAD, STEWARTON (pages 176-178)** - Submit report dated 9 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services requesting that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground extending to 38m² or thereby situated adjoining 77 Rigghead, Stewarton, and authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
18. **LAND AT THE REAR OF 102 BARRHILL ROAD, CUMNOCK (pages 179-181)** - Submit joint report dated 16 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services and the Executive Director of Development and Property Services requesting that the Committee declare surplus to requirements land at the rear of 102 Barrhill Road, Cumnock, extending to 84m² 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.**
19. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJACENT TO 11 McCALLUM PLACE, KILMARNOCK (pages 182-184)** - Submit report dated 19 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services requesting that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground extending to 71m² or thereby situated adjacent to 11 McCallum Place, Kilmarnock, 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. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF GROUND SITUATED AT THE SOUTH OF CARNSHALLOCH AVENUE, PATNA (pages 185-188)** - Submit report dated 10 August 2005 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services requesting that the Committee declare surplus to requirements an area of ground extending to 620m² or thereby situated at the south of Carnshalloch Avenue, Patna, and to authorise disposal of same to the party identified in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**