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To: Councillors McIntyre (Chair), O'Neill, Young, Reeves, W Coffey, Reid, Cree, Weir, Macrae, Wilson, Provost Darnbrough and Councillors Knapp, Finlayson, McDill, Jackson, Kelly, Farrell, Menzies, Ross, Dinwoodie and Carmichael.

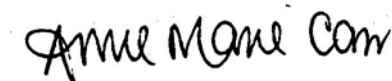
30 January 2007

Dear Councillor

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 7 FEBRUARY 2007

You are requested to attend the meeting of the **Policy and Resources Committee** to be held in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, on **WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2007** at **1000 HRS** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Elizabeth Morton
Depute Chief Executive/
Executive Director of Corporate Support
AMC/FM

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INTIMATE APOLOGIES.

MINUTES

1. **SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES** - Submit for approval as a correct record and approval of any recommendations contained therein, the undernoted Sub-Committee Minutes, viz:-

- 1.1 **MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE - 24 JANUARY 2007 (pages 1-2).**



2. **BUDGET SCRUTINY GROUP** - Submit, for noting, the Minutes of the Budget Scrutiny Group meeting as follows, viz:-

2.1 **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2007** - Copy enclosed.

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FINANCE

3. **BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENT - GENERAL FUND SERVICES (pages 3-7)** - Submit report dated 15 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance advising of the projected financial position for Revenue Services and the General Services Capital Programme based on information provided by Executive Directors.

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4. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 10 DECEMBER 2006 (PERIOD 9) (pages 8-9)** - Submit joint report dated 17 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services advising of the current budgetary control position of the Housing Revenue Account for the period ended 10 December 2006 (Period 9).

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5. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - POLICY AND RESOURCES (CENTRAL SERVICES) (pages 10-11)** - Submit report dated 12 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the services within the remit of Policy and Resources (Central Services).





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6. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - POLICY AND RESOURCES (CORPORATE SUPPORT) (pages 12-14)** - Submit joint report dated 10 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance and the Executive Director of Corporate Support advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the services within the remit of Policy and Resources (Corporate Support).



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7. **STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION (pages 15-16)** - Submit report dated 17 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance providing Members with an update on the billing and collection performance of local taxes as at 7 January 2007 (Period 10).

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8. **FUTURE FUNDING OF EAST AYRSHIRE ACCESS PANEL (NORTH DISTRICT) AND CUMNOCK AND DOON VALLEY ACCESS PANEL AND KILMARNOCK FORUM ON DISABILITY AND EAST AYRSHIRE (SOUTH) FORUM ON DISABILITY (pages 17-19)** - Submit report dated 18 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support requesting Members of the Committee to consider future funding arrangements for both Access Panels and Forums on Disability operating within the East Ayrshire area.

9. **PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT - PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS** - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance advising of prudential indicators relating to capital expenditure for forthcoming and following years.

10. **ADDITIONAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (Item 8, Page 2545, 03/07) (pages)** - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance seeking approval for additional expenditure on specific capital projects where tender prices are in excess of the preliminary estimates.

11. **REVENUE BUDGET 2007/08 - COUNCIL TAX AND RENT LEVELS** - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance to consider the overall General Services Revenue Budget for 2007/08, to recommend to the Council the level at which Council Tax should be set for the financial year 2007/08 and to confirm the Council house rent increase from 1 April 2007.


CORPORATE MANAGEMENT

12. **STATUTORY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (SPIs) 2007/08 - DIRECTION 2006 (Item 15, Page 2420, 03/07) (pages 20-22)** - Submit report dated 17 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support advising of the Publication of Information (Standards of Performance) Direction 2006 by the Accounts Commission.

13. **BEST VALUE AND COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPROVEMENT AGENDA (Item 20, Page 2422, 03/07) (pages 23-49)** - Submit report dated 17 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Chief Executive seeking the Committee's agreement to the detailed Improvement Plan, which underpins the Council's Improvement Agenda, resulting from the recent Best Value and Community Planning Audit.


14. **2006 SCOTTISH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (Item 13, Page 1016, 03/07) (pages 50-64)** - Submit report dated 24 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Acting Executive Director of Development and Property Services advising Members of the results of the 2006 Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD 2006) and to highlight key results from its analysis as they relate to East Ayrshire.



15. **ST ANDREW'S DAY BANK HOLIDAY (SCOTLAND) BILL (Item 21, Page 1019, 03/07) (pages 65-70)** - Submit report dated 26 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support advising the Committee of the implications for the Council as an employer of the passing by the Scottish Parliament of the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill.



16. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** - Recommend that the Committee pass the following Resolution:- "That under Section 50A(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 9 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

17. **ASSET MANAGEMENT - CORPORATE OFFICE ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY (Item 28, Page 1980, 03/07) (pages 71-81)** - Submit report dated 19 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance submitting proposals in relation to the introduction of a Corporate Office Accommodation Strategy which will form part of the Council's Asset Management Plan and seeking Committee approval to proceed with the property transactions identified within this report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

18. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND AT REAR OF BARBIESTON ROAD, AUCHINLECK (pages 82-86)** - Submit joint report dated 22 January 2007 (copy enclosed) by the Acting Executive Director of Development and Property Services and the Solicitor to the Council seeking Committee approval to dispose of a site extending to 1.3215 hectares (3.265 acres) or thereby, at the rear of Barbieston Road, Auchinleck, as shown on the plan attached to the report to the party detailed in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

19. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJACENT TO CATRINE GAMES HALL, STATION YARD, CATRINE** - Submit joint report (copy to follow) by the Acting Executive Director of Development and Property Services and the Solicitor to the Council seeking Committee approval to dispose of a site extending to 0.4324 hectares (1.07 acres) or thereby adjacent to Catrine Games Hall, Station Yard, Catrine, as shown on the attached plan to the party detailed in the report. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**