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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.

7 November 2006

Dear Councillor

**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 14 NOVEMBER 2006**

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 **TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2006** at **1000 HRS** to consider the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



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

**B U S I N E S S**

**INTIMATE APOLOGIES.**

**MINUTES**

1. **BUDGET SCRUTINY GROUP** - Submit, for noting, the Minutes of the Budget Scrutiny Group meeting held on 17 October 2006 (copy enclosed) (**pages 1-4**).



## FINANCE

- 2. BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENT - GENERAL FUND SERVICES (pages 5-9)** - Submit report dated 23 October 2006 (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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- 3. BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - POLICY AND RESOURCES (CORPORATE SUPPORT) (pages 10-13)** - Submit joint report dated 25 October 2006 (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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- 4. BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - POLICY AND RESOURCES (CENTRAL SERVICES) (pages 14-15)** - Submit report dated 25 October 2006 (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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- 5. BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 17 SEPTEMBER 2006 (PERIOD 6) (page 16)** - Submit joint report dated 23 October 2006 (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 17 September 2006 (Period 6).

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- 6. STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION (pages 17-18)** - Submit report dated 30 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance providing Members with an update on the billing and collection performance of local taxes as at 15 October 2006 (Period 7).

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- 7. TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2005/06 AND REVIEW OF ACTIVITY FOR 2006/07 (pages 19-26)** - Submit report dated 20 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance informing the Committee of the treasury activity for the financial year ended 31 March 2006.

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8. **GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2007/08 - 2009/10 (pages 27-34)** - Submit report dated 6 November 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Head of Finance providing Elected Members with information to allow the setting of the General Services Capital Programme for 2007/08, and an indicative programme for the financial years 2008/09 and 2009/10.

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9. **ST ANDREW'S DAY ANTI-RACIST EVENT 2006 (pages 35-36)** - Submit report dated 23 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Chief Executive advising the Committee of a contribution of £250 made in terms of the delegated authority of the Chief Executive, following consultation with the Chair, to the STUC towards the costs involved with their organisation of St Andrew's Day and anti-racist events for St Andrew's Day 2006.

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### PROCUREMENT

10. **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE McLELLAND REVIEW OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT IN SCOTLAND - UPDATE (pages 37-46)** - Submit report dated 23 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/ Executive Director of Corporate Support apprising the Committee of the current position in respect of the implementation of the McLelland Review of Public Procurement in Scotland on a local and national basis, the establishment of the Public Procurement Reform Board, the Scotland Excel Bid, the McLelland Programme and of the ongoing participation of East Ayrshire Council.

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11. **CORPORATE PROCUREMENT STRATEGY - UPDATE (Item 15, Page 1819, 03/07) (pages 47-51)** - Submit report dated 30 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support apprising the Committee of further progress made towards implementation of the Council's Corporate Procurement Strategy and providing details of ongoing and anticipated procurement developments which will require to be incorporated in an updated and enhanced strategy.

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### PEOPLE'S SERVICES

12. **2005/2006 ANNUAL REVIEW OF EAST AYRSHIRE'S CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE PLAN 2005-2008 (pages 52-57)** - Submit report dated 11 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval from the Policy and Resources Committee for the 2005-2006 Annual Review of the East Ayrshire Children and Young People's Service Plan 2005-2008.

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13. **DIALOGUE YOUTH INITIATIVE UPDATE REPORT ( ) (pages 58-61)** - Submit report dated 17 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services providing the Committee with a summary of the progress to date of the Dialogue Youth Initiative and the priorities for the forthcoming period to March 2007.

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14. **EAST AYRSHIRE DOMESTIC ABUSE STRATEGY 2005-2008 (Item 13, Page 1819, 03/07) (pages 62-65)** - Submit report dated 12 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services updating the Committee on progress in relation to the East Ayrshire Domestic Abuse Strategy 2005-2008.

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15. **DISABILITY EQUALITY SCHEME (pages 66-81)** - Submit report dated 7 November 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support seeking approval of the Disability Equality Scheme which the Council is required to prepare under the specific duty placed on it by the Disability Discrimination Act 2005.

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#### **CORPORATE MANAGEMENT**

16. **EAST AYRSHIRE PUBLIC PERFORMANCE REPORTING STRATEGY (Item 16, Page 2420, 03/07) (pages 82-86)** - Submit report dated 26 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support advising the Committee on the proposed way forward for the further development of the Council's Public Performance Reporting Strategy as part of the ongoing review of Public Performance Reporting within the Council and which also advises on how this will support the implementation of the Public Performance Reporting element of the Improvement Agenda arising from the Council's Best Value and Community Planning Audit.

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17. **STRATEGIC CROSS-CUTTING REVIEW OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND OTHER ASSET MANAGEMENT PROPERTY RELATED MATTERS - PROCUREMENT OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES (pages 87-91)** - Submit report dated 31 October 2006 (copy enclosed) seeking approval for the negotiation of appropriate contractual terms with Solace Enterprises Ltd and their associated consultant, SKG Associates Ltd, for the provision of consultancy services to the Council in respect of a range of property related initiatives currently ongoing within the Council, principally, the agreed plan to improve the Council's Housing Repairs Services, together with other Asset Management property related matters, including the Capital Programme.

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18. **STRATEGIC SELF ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE - PROGRESS REPORT (pages 92-95)** - Submit report dated 6 November 2006 (copy enclosed) providing the Committee with an update on progress in relation to the actions resulting from the Council-wide Strategic Self Assessment of Performance, which was undertaken in connection with the 2006 Best Value and Community Planning Audit.
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19. **SCOTTISH PROVOSTS' ASSOCIATION (pages 96-98)** - Submit report dated 23 October (copy enclosed) advising the Committee of the formation of a Scottish Provosts' Association and asking the Committee to determine East Ayrshire Council's membership of the Association.
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20. **DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATE SUPPORT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE - ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (QUARTER 3, 2006) (pages 99-101)** - Submit report dated 19 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support advising of absence rates for the Department of Corporate Support including the Chief Executive's Office for the quarterly period ending 30 September 2006.
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## CONTRACTS

21. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 102-105)** - Submit report dated 25 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.



## PROPERTY

22. **TRANSFER OF ALTONHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE TO EDUCATION PROPERTY PORTFOLIO (pages 106-107)** - Submit report dated 31 October 2006 (copy enclosed) by the Executive Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval to transfer the ownership of the former Altonhill Community Centre to the Education property portfolio.



23. **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 item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 9 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

24.  **DISPOSAL OF UNITS 2-4 BONNYTON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, MUNRO PLACE, KILMARNOCK WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE UNIT 1 BONNYTON**

**INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, MUNRO PLACE, KILMARNOCK (pages 108-113) -**  
Submit report (copy to follow) by the Acting Executive Director of Development and Property Services seeking approval to dispose of the Council's interest in Units 2-4 Bonnyton Industrial Estate, Munro Place, Kilmarnock to the party detailed in the report, subject to the existing tenancies and to grant to the party detailed an option to purchase Unit 1 Bonnyton Industrial Estate, Munro Place, Kilmarnock. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**