

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – 28TH MAY 2003

ANNANHILL GOLF COURSE

Report by the Director of Community Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of an approach made to the Council by Annanhill Golf Club to consider the Club purchasing the clubhouse and operating the golf course.

2. CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 Annanhill Golf Club are keen to consider taking responsibility for the Annanhill Golf Course which is owned and managed by the Council. The Club have established a Sub-Committee to consider this issue in detail.
- 2.2 The Club has asked for various details on the costs of operation of the course and has requested a meeting with senior officers to take their proposal forward. This meeting has not been held and the Club have been advised that the Committee would wish to consider this proposal before any further progress can be made.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Nil.

4. POLICY/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Nil.

5. CONCLUSIONS

- 5.1 At this stage Annanhill Golf Club representatives are keen to explore their proposal, and it is important that the Committee gives consideration to their request at this stage. If the Committee is willing to consider, in principle, the transfer of responsibility for the course to Annanhill Golf Club, further discussions would then take place, if not, then no further discussions or abortive work will take place and the Club can be advised accordingly. At this early stage there would seem to be some merit in exploring the Club's proposal further.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 It is recommended that the Committee:-

- i) approve the commencement of discussions with Annanhill Golf Club; and
- ii) remit to the Director of Community Services to report back on progress in due course.

William Stafford
Director of Community Services

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25TH April 2003

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Letter from Annanhill Golf Club received on 9th April 2003.
2. Reply to Annanhill Golf Club dated 14th April 2003.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone 01563 576264 and ask for John Griffiths, Head of Leisure Services.

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