

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****SPECIAL SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1 MARCH 2001 AT 1000 HOURS  
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,  
KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Jane Darnbrough, Katie Hall, Stephanie Young, Daniel Coffey, Lilian MacLean, Drew McIntyre, David Macrae, Alex Walsh, Finlay MacLean, Eric Jackson, Jimmy Kelly, Tommy Farrell, Julie Faulds, William Menzies, Robert Taylor and Jimmy Carmichael.

**ATTENDING:** David Montgomery, Chief Executive; John Mulgrew, Director of Educational and Social Services; Stephen Moore, Head of Social Work; Alan Y McDougall, Head of Resource Support; Ian Gemmell, Head of Anti-Poverty Unit; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Jackie Donnelly, Principal Officer (Community Care); John Alexander, Principal Officer (Quality and Planning); Graham Kerr, Public Relations Officer; and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Douglas Reid, John Weir, Iain Linton and Jim Raymond.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Jane Darnbrough, Chair.

**SOCIAL WORK PROPOSED SPEND**

1. There was submitted a report dated 21 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the proposed spend in Social Work following the additional allocation of £600,000 for Community Care and £175,000 (to be held in a contingency fund) for secure accommodation for children to the Social Work budget 2001/2002 and which advised of additional measures by the Council expected by the Scottish Executive to develop further in partnership with service users, carers and key agencies.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the content of the report;
- (ii) that the Head of Social Work report on progress on the implementation of the proposals to a future meeting of the Committee; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

**SOCIAL WORK CHARGES 2001/2002**

2. There was submitted a report dated 22 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on revised rates of charges for services, as included in the Revenue Estimates 2001/2002.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the revised charges set out in section 3 of the report and detailed in the Appendix I to this Minute; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

### **UP-RATING OF APPROVED NURSING AND RESIDENTIAL HOME RATES**

3. There was submitted a report dated 22 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the proposed up-rating of the Council's rates for voluntary and private nursing in residential care home placements for adults and older people, in line with the DSS benefit up-rating in 2001/2002; the revision of the weekly charges for residential care in Council-operated establishments; and the revision in respite care charges.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the rates for the private and voluntary sector noted in Appendix II of this Minute;
- (ii) to approve the rates for Council accommodation noted in the report;
- (iii) to confirm the Council's continuing commitment to meeting Supplementation rates, set by other local Authorities as indicated in Section 5 of the report; and
- (iv) otherwise to note the content of the report.

Councillor Taylor left the meeting at this point.

### **CAPITAL PLAN 2001/2002**

4. There was submitted a report dated 16 February 2001 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to recommend the Capital Plan allocation for the Social Work and Resource Support functions of the Department of Educational and Social Services in 2001/2002 and the implied commitment for the two subsequent years.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the proposed Capital Plan noted in Section 3 of the report;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services report on progress in the implementation of the Capital Plan on a regular basis; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the content of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1017 hours.

**APPENDIX I****EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL  
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT****CHARGES FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL SOCIAL WORK SERVICES  
APRIL 2001 RATES****Using Revised Thresholds**

	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>Revised Threshold</b>	<b>Previous Charge</b>	<b>New Charge</b>
Elderly person living alone with high rate AA	£189.00	£115	£34.90	£37.00
Elderly person living alone with low rate AA	£170.70	£115	£26.03	£27.85
Single person living alone with DLA high rate care	£183.55	£115	£29.10	£34.28
Single person living alone with DLA middle rate care	£154.20	£115	£20.23	£19.60
Single person living alone with DLA low rate care	£90.30	£115	Nil	Nil
Single person under 25 living alone with DLA high rate care	£172.50	£115	£23.68	£28.75
Single person under 25 living alone with DLA middle rate care	£143.15	£115	£14.80	£14.08
Single person under 25 living alone with DLA low rate care	£79.25	£115	Nil	Nil
Elderly non-householder with high rate AA	£147.45	£75	£34.80	£36.23
Elderly non-householder with low rate AA	£129.15	£75	£25.93	£27.08
Single non-householder with DLA high rate care	£142.00	£75	£29.00	£33.50
Single non-householder with DLA middle rate care	£112.65	£75	£20.13	£18.83
Single non-householder with DLA low rate care	£90.30	£75	£9.33	£7.65
Single non-householder under 25 with DLA high rate care	£130.95	£75	£23.58	£27.98
Single non-householder under 25 with DLA middle rate care	£101.60	£75	£14.70	£13.30
Single non-householder under 25 with DLA low rate care	£79.25	£75	£3.90	£2.13
Couple living alone one with high rate AA	£195.85	£145	£24.80	£25.43
Couple living alone one with low rate AA	£177.55	£145	£15.93	£16.28
Couple living alone both with high rate AA	£334.25	£145	£72.00	£72.00
Couple living alone both with low rate AA	£297.65	£145	£72.00	£72.00
Couple living alone one high rate & one low rate AA	£315.95	£145	£72.00	£72.00
Couple living with family one with high rate AA	£195.85	£110	£42.30	£42.93
Couple living with family one with low rate AA	£177.55	£110	£33.43	£33.78
Couple living with family both with high rate AA	£251.15	£110	£69.08	£70.58
Couple living with family both with low rate AA	£214.55	£110	£51.33	£52.28
Couple living with family one high rate & one low rate AA	£232.85	£110	£60.20	£61.43

**APPENDIX II**

	<b><u>The Council's Approved Rate</u></b>
<b>RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES</b>	
<b>CATEGORIES OF DEPENDENCIES</b>	
Older People	<b>£261</b>
Older People with Dementia	£261
Adults with Dementia **	£238
Adults with Physical or Sensory Disability	£308
Adults with a Learning Disability	£271
Adults with a Mental Health Problem **	£238
Adults with Drug or Alcohol Dependency **	£238
Adult Ex Offenders **	£225
People with a brain injury	from £308
** special criteria satisfied	£261
<b>NURSING HOMES</b>	
<b>CATEGORIES OF DEPENDENCIES</b>	
Older People (including mental impairment)	<b>£336</b>
Drug / Alcohol Dependence	£337
Learning Disability	£343
Physical Disablement - Below pension age	£379
Physical Disablement - Over pension age	£336
Mental illness below pensionable age	£336