

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – 28 AUGUST 2001**

### **BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOAN SCHEME STATUS REPORT**

#### **Report by Director of Development Services**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1** To inform the Committee of companies which have received financial support under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes in the period from 21 May 2001 to 10 August 2001.

#### **2 RECENT BUSINESS SUPPORT AWARDS**

- 2.1** The support offered to companies under the Council's Business Loans and Grants Schemes, as approved under the Scheme of Delegation is shown in the attached tables. The information provided includes:

the client;  
the location of the client company;  
the means of support; and  
the relevant statistical data.

#### **3. POLICY AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1** The support to business under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes will contribute towards the achievement of the Council's policy objectives defined in the Council Plan.
- 3.2** Funding for the business support awards has been drawn from the approved Business Grants Budget 2001/2002 within which resources are available.

#### **4. LEGAL AND PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1** Appropriate contractual documentation for each award of business support is prepared and issued in conjunction with the Solicitor to the Council.
- 4.2** There are no personnel implications.

## **5. RECOMMENDATION**

- 5.1 That the Committee notes the awards of business support provided to local companies during the period 21 May 2001 to 10 August 2001, as detailed in the table attached to this report.**

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**Director of Development Services**

20 August 2001/jrs

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**NIL**

**For further information, please contact JOHN SPOONER, Business Development Manager, on Extension 6143.**

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<b>TRADE DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT</b>					
<b>Electoral Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>Trade Event</b>	<b>Event Location</b>
Ward 1 Stewarton East & Dunlop	Stewarton	Riverford Mill Ltd	Textile manufacture	Outdoor Show Outdoor Retail Show Ski Show	Germany (August 2001) USA (January 2002) USA (February 2002)
		<i>This company has recently refocused its much of its production away from traditional knitwear to "fleece" for sports and leisure wear and as a result is entering new markets. An external consultant (part funded by Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire) has worked with the company and developed a new marketing strategy which targets the trade events listed. In addition, the company will also look to new markets in Japan for which Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire has awarded funding support.</i>			
Ward 3 Kilmaurs & Stewarton South	Kilmaurs	Allserve Ltd (t/a Eurodriveshafts & Hydraulics)	Engineering	General Trade Mission run by Ayrshire Export Partnership	Madrid, Spain October 2001

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<b>BUSINESS LOANS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATED POWERS</b>					
<b>Electoral Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>No of Existing Employees</b>	<b>No of Proposed New Employees</b>
Ward 1 Stewarton East & Dunlop	By Stewarton	Proven Engineering Products Ltd	Manufacture of wind turbines	11	+7 (total 18)
	<i>This company is presently based in Kilmarnock but has purchased premises on the outskirts of Stewarton into which it will shortly relocate as the business has expanded beyond the capacity of the existing premises</i>				
Ward 20 Galston East	Galston	Lakeland Cakes and Gateaux Ltd	Manufacture of luxury cakes and gateaux	0	6 in year 1, rising to 11 in year 3
	<i>NB This is a start-up company whose parent company is based in Galston, but it is likely that the Lakeland operation will be based elsewhere in East Ayrshire.</i>				
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>

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<b>SPECIAL GRANTS APPROVED UNDER SCHEME OF DELEGATION</b>				
<b>Electoral Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>Type of Support</b>
Ward 23 Catrine/Sorn/Mauchline East	Catrine	National Autistic Society	Specialist Education facility	Grant contribution with Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire towards the costs of a feasibility study into the development of the Daldorch facility.
Ward 27 Auchinleck	Auchinleck	Barony Universal Ltd	Manufacture of aerosols	Grant contribution with Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire towards the costs of a feasibility study into proposals for the expansion of the business.
Ward 32 New Cumnock	New Cumnock	Afton Spring	Water	Grant contribution with Scottish Enterprise Ayrshire towards the costs of a feasibility study into the possible development of a bottled water business.

**AGENDA**