

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE – 21 NOVEMBER 2000

QUALITY ASSURANCE – ISO 9001 : 1994

Report By Director of Development Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** The purpose of the report is to advise the Committee that all sections of the Roads & Transportation Division have been successful in attaining ISO 9001 : 1994 accreditation.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** It is a requirement of the Scottish Executive that all members participating in the Trunk Road maintenance and design contracts have ISO 9001 : 1994 accreditation.
- 2.2** Since January 2000 all sections of the Roads Division have been implementing improved procedures to comply with the requirements of ISO 9001 : 1994.
- 2.3** During 11, 12 and 13 October all sections of the Roads & Transportation Division were audited by Messrs Yarsley International Certification Services Limited and were successful in gaining accreditation.

3. SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

- 3.1** The Scope of accreditation covers the following items:
- 3.1.1** The provision of a civil and structural engineering design and maintenance service, primarily for roads, road related structures and flood prevention schemes, including any contractual construction monitoring and incorporating finance and administration and training of civil engineers.
- 3.1.2** Traffic and Road Safety, incorporating accident investigation and prevention, road safety awareness, road safety education and training and monitoring traffic signal failures.
- 3.1.3** Road network management incorporating street lighting and Susiephone.
- 3.1.4** Approval of road planning and construction consent applications, adoption of roads and footpaths, issuing of road opening and occupation permits, and the identification and reporting of defects.

3.1.5 Provision of a road maintenance contracting service incorporating surface dressing laying or bituminous material and temporary traffic management.

3.2 The Roads Division will be subject to continual external assessment every six months and will continually carry out internal audits undertaken by a team of specially trained auditors selected from Roads personnel.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The cost of registration with Messrs Yarsley and of continual assessment will be met from Departmental Budgets.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The Committee is asked to note the success of the Roads and Transportation Division in attaining ISO 9001 : 1994 accreditation.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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AGENDA