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To: Councillors Ross (Chair), McKay, O'Neill, J McGhee, Young, Reeves, D Coffey, Reid, McIntyre, Macrae, Linton, Campbell, Murray, Finlayson, McDill, Jackson, Smith, Kelly, Farrell, Dinwoodie and Carmichael.

9 December 2003

Dear Councillor

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 16 DECEMBER 2003

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Development Services Committee** to be held on **TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2003 at 1030 HOURS**, in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Please note that a presentation, **to which all Members of the Council are invited to attend**, on the M77 extension from Malletsheugh to Fenwick, will be made by representatives of CONNECT at **1000 hours** and that the Committee will commence at **1030 hours**.

Yours sincerely



Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

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B U S I N E S S

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. MONITORING REPORTS

- 1.1 BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO 21 SEPTEMBER 2003 (PERIOD 6) (pages 1-4) -**
Submit joint report dated 28 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Development Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for

the year for the Development Services Department, for the period to 21 September 2003 (Period 6).

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- 1.2 ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 3 (2003) (pages 5-7)** - Submit report dated 21 October 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of absence rates for the Department of Development Services for the quarterly period ending 30 September 2003.

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- 1.3 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF DEVELOPMENT PROMOTION AND BUILDING CONTROL 01 APRIL 2003 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2003 (pages 8-13)** - Submit report dated 27 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services presenting a statistical analysis of the Development Promotion and Building Control functions over the identified period.

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- 2. ENABLING DEVELOPMENT (pages 14-21)** - Submit report dated 26 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services providing additional guidance for Committee Members, Planning Officers and prospective applicants on Council policy relating to enabling development.

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- 3. EAST AYRSHIRE VACANT AND DERELICT LAND SURVEY 2003 (pages 22-25)** - Submit report dated 25 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services informing of the Vacant and Derelict Land Survey 2003, carried out by the Planning and Building Control Division on behalf of the Scottish Executive.

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- 4. AVOIDING A SOCIAL CRISIS: AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND STARTER HOMES: A CONSULTATION PAPER (pages 26-30)** - Submit report dated 17 October 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking the views of the Committee on a consultation paper prepared by Homes for Scotland entitled "Avoiding a Social Crisis: Affordable Housing and Starter Homes". The paper sets out a suggested new approach to facilitate the provision of all forms of housing, including social rented and low cost ownership homes.

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- 5. SCOTLAND'S FUTURE LANDSCAPES?: ENCOURAGING A WIDER DEBATE - A DISCUSSION PAPER FROM SCOTTISH NATURAL HERITAGE (pages 31-34)** - Submit report dated 20 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking views of the Committee on a discussion paper prepared by Scottish Natural Heritage

entitled "Scotland's Future Landscapes?: Encouraging a Wider Debate". The paper sets out SNH's thinking on the prospects facing Scotland's landscapes and seeks to stimulate and inform a debate about how this important national asset can best be cared for.

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6. **DESIGNATION OF CONSERVATION AREAS IN DARVEL (2) AND LAIGH FENWICK (pages 35-40)** - Submit report dated 2 December 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services informing of the Planning and Building Control Division's intention to designate two new Conservation Areas in Darvel and an expanded Conservation Area in Laigh Fenwick.

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7. **CONSULTATION ON URBAN REGENERATION COMPANIES (pages 41-46)** - Submit report dated 26 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services presenting for consideration a response to the Scottish Executive's consultation report on Urban Regeneration Companies.

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8. **SCOTTISH AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, AUCHINCUIVE CAMPUS, AYR (pages 47-49)** - Submit report dated 27 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of the current situation regarding the proposals of the Scottish Agricultural College for the future of the Auchincruive Campus at Ayr.

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9. **A SUCCESSOR TO ENTERPRISE ZONES (pages 50-53)** - Submit report dated 25 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (i) providing the Committee with background information on Enterprise Zones and the timetable for their cessation; (ii) to comment on the effectiveness of Enterprise Zones; and (iii) to inform of the actions undertaken to date by the Alliance for Regional Aid and others, including East Ayrshire Council, to encourage the Government to establish a successor to Enterprise Zones.

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10. **SCOTTISH TRANSPORT - CONSULTATION BY THE SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE (pages 54-65)** - Submit report dated 1 December 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services to recommend a response to a consultation report from the Scottish Executive on proposals for a new approach to transport in Scotland.

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11. **ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS THROUGH WESTRANS (pages 66-73)** - Submit report dated 26 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services recommending approval

for submissions of public transport development projects for funding through WESTRANS.

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12. **KILMARNOCK TOWN CENTRE - PROPOSED SHOPPERS' BUS SERVICE (pages 74-76)** - Submit report dated 26 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking the Committee's support for the introduction of a shoppers' bus service within Kilmarnock.

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13. **2004/05 PROGRAMME OF STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND FOOTWAYS (pages 77-102)** - Submit report dated 9 December 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking the Committee's approval of the 2004/2005 programme of structural maintenance of roadways and footways.

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14. **FLOOD PREVENTION (pages 103-108)** - Submit report dated 24 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking the Committee's approval for the publication of a report which is required under the Flood Prevention (Scotland) Act 1961 as amended.

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15. **20MPH SPEED LIMITS AT SCHOOLS (pages 109-111)** - Submit report dated 27 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (a) informing the Committee about the current guidance from the Scottish Executive on mandatory and advisory 20mph speed limits; and (b) requesting the Committee to agree the principles of producing a programme of introducing 20mph speed limits at schools.

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16. **SUMMARY OF SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE RESEARCH REPORT "THE SPEEDING DRIVER, WHO, HOW AND WHY?" (pages 112-114)** - Submit report dated 9 December 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services informing of the findings of a recent study by the Scottish Executive and the Scottish Road Safety Campaign on the causes and consequences of speeding.

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17. **GROUND AT MAIN STREET CAR PARK, AUCHINLECK (pages 115-117)** - Submit report dated 1 December 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking authority to declare approximately 102 square metres of ground at Main Street Car Park, Auchinleck, surplus to requirements.

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18. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 118-122)** - Submit report dated 24 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted. The amounts shown are actual costs of the contracts and are exclusive of professional fees.



ADDITIONAL ITEM - SITE RECLAMATION AT AUCHLIN MINE, SKARES

19. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** - Recommend that the Committee pass the following resolution: "That under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act.
20. **STREET LIGHTING UNIT - TRADING SERVICES TO 21 SEPTEMBER 2003 (PERIOD 6) (pages 123-125)** - Submit joint report dated 17 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Development Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Street Lighting Unit for the period ended 21 September 2003 (Period 6). **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
21. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - ROADS DLO - TRADING SERVICES TO 21 SEPTEMBER 2003 (PERIOD 6) (pages 126-128)** - Submit joint report dated 28 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Development Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Roads DLO - Trading Services for the period ended 21 September 2003 (Period 6). **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
22. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DSO TRADING SERVICES TO 21 SEPTEMBER 2003 (PERIOD 6) (pages 129-131)** - Submit joint report dated 28 November 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Development Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Vehicle Maintenance DSO - Trading Services for the period ended 21 September 2003 (Period 6). **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**