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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.

14 May 2003

Dear Councillor

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 20 MAY 2003

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Development Services Committee** to be held on **TUESDAY 20 MAY 2003** at **1000 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

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BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. MONITORING REPORTS

- 1.1 BUSINESS GRANTS AND LOANS SCHEMES: STATUS REPORT (pages 1-4)** - Submit report dated 9 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services on companies which have received financial support under the Council's Business Grants and Loans Schemes in the period from 1 March 2003 to 30 April 2003.

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- 1.2 UNEMPLOYMENT IN EAST AYRSHIRE - MARCH 2003 (pages 5-9)** - Submit report dated 30 April 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services providing an update on unemployment levels as at March 2003 for East Ayrshire and Scotland, and for East Ayrshire Wards and Local Committee areas.



- 1.3 ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT QUARTER 1 (2003) (pages 10-13)** - Submit report dated 2 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of absence rates for the Department of Development Services for the quarterly period ending 31 March 2003.



- 1.4 WEST OF SCOTLAND LOAN FUND LIMITED - MONITORING REPORT (pages 14-18)** - Submit report dated 9 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services on the Council's involvement in the West of Scotland Loan Fund Limited (WOSLF) and of an important external evaluation of the performance of the Fund in relation to support to small, medium sized enterprises (SMES) and financial matters.



- 1.5 FINAL MEASUREMENTS ON CONTRACTS (page 19)** - Submit report dated 9 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services informing on final measurement for a contract.



- 1.6 EAST AYRSHIRE EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE (pages 20-22)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services providing a progress report on the work of the East Ayrshire Employment Initiative in accordance with Public Pound Operating Guidelines.



- 2. REPORT ON THE SUPPLY OF UN-METERED ELECTRICITY FOR STREET LIGHTING AND OTHER STREET FURNITURE (pages 23-24)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of the outcome of the re-tender of the contract for the supply of un-metered electricity for street lighting and other street furniture.



3. **QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDING 2003/2004 TO 2005/2006 (pages 25-29)** - Submit report dated 9 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services recommending implementation arrangements for Quality of Life funded programmes for which Development Services is the lead Committee.

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4. **FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF POST OFFICE FACILITIES (pages 30-32)** - Submit report dated 1 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of the funding available from the Scottish Executive for the development of Post Offices in both deprived, urban and rural areas.

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5. **THE REGENERATION OF VACANT AND DERELICT BUILDINGS AND SITES (pages 33-41)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (a) informing of those settlements and areas within settlements where the prevalence of vacant and derelict buildings are adversely affecting their physical appearance and potential regeneration; and (b) updating on existing regeneration projects being progressed by the Development Services Department.

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6. **SCOTTISH PLANNING POLICY (SPP) 7: PLANNING AND FLOODING CONSULTATION DRAFT (pages 42-48)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (a) to outline and enable the Committee to provide constructive comment on the newly issued consultation draft of SPP7, Planning and Flooding; and (b) provide comments, as specifically requested by the Scottish Executive, on the operation of the Ayrshire Strategic Flood Appraisal Group.






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7. **PROPOSED MONUMENT AT THE GALSTON ROUNDABOUT (pages 49-51)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking the Committee's view on the proposal by the Rotary Club of Galston for a monument on the roundabout adjacent to Galston at the intersection of the A719 and A71.

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8. **PUBLIC TRANSPORT FUND: KILMARNOCK TO ARDROSSAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT CORRIDOR (pages 52-54)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (a) advising that the Scottish Executive has provided funding for public transport improvements in the Kilmarnock to Ardrossan corridor and (b) seeking agreement to appoint a specialist transportation consultant to carry out preliminary design and consultation.

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9. **NEW 30MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDER AT A719 CROSSROADS TO GALSTON ROAD (pages 55-58)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking approval for the introduction of a new 30mph speed limit on the A719 Crossroads to Galston road to the east of the junction with the A76.

10. **ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE (pages 59-60)** - Submit report dated 9 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services informing of additional funding which has become available to the Committee for its roads maintenance and related programmes.

11. **ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION DIVISION - ADDITIONAL STAFFING REQUIREMENTS (pages 61-62)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services seeking approval to increase the staffing structure of the Roads and Transportation Division to undertake project design and preparation work essential to deliver programme commitments.

12. **QUALITY ASSURANCE - ISO 9001:2000 CONVERSION TO NEW STANDARDS (pages 63-64)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services advising of all sections, with the exception of transport which was not previously included, of the Roads and Transportation Division, have been successful in converting from ISO 9001: 1994 to the new standard ISO 9001:2000.

13. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 65-70)** - Submit report dated 1 May 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 the actual costs of the contracts and are exclusive of professional fees.

14. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** - Recommend that the Committee pass the following Resolution:- "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act".
15. **DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS AT MOORFIELD NORTH INDUSTRIAL SITE (pages 71-75)** - Submit report dated 12 May 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services (a) outlining the progress to date of

development proposals at the Moorfield (North) Strategic Industrial Site; and
(b) seeking support for the purchase of land at Moorfield North, currently in private ownership, by East Ayrshire Council. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**