

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **EDUCATION SUB - COMMITTEE – 05 SEPTEMBER 2000**

#### **ANTI-VANDALISM INITIATIVE**

##### **Report by Director of Educational and Social Services**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To seek agreement for a proposal for a scheme to reduce vandalism and litter.

#### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Kilmarnock and Loudoun Crime Prevention Panel have obtained a small grant to promote a positive anti-litter and vandalism project involving local schools. This is being progressed through the Community Involvement Branch of Strathclyde Police.
- 2.2 Members will recall that there have been a number of successful initiatives that have been based on a partnership between the Police and schools.

#### **3. THE PROPOSAL**

- 3.1 Following an initial invitation, each school would receive a Crime Prevention Panel Project Pack. This would include a variety of learning materials aimed at P7 children and a teachers' booklet. The children would monitor the reduction in vandalism and litter in their area and produce a regular summary. There would be other valuable learning experiences such as recording the changes, production of brief reports, presentation of charts and discussion with other classes.
- 3.2 The initiative would be known as "School Watch 7" and would start early in the 2000/2001 academic session. It would be hoped that in time it will be extended to all primary schools in East Ayrshire.

#### **4. POLICY/LEGAL/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Nil

## 5. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members :

- (i) agree that schools participate in “School Watch 7”; and
- (ii) otherwise note the contents of this report.

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4 July 2000

Members requiring further information should contact Graham Short, Head of Schools (01563-576089).

### LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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**AGENDA**