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To: Councillors Farrell (Chair), McNeil, Young, Reeves, W Coffey, L MacLean, Weir, McIntyre, Macrae, Linton, Walsh, Knapp, F MacLean, McDill, Jackson, Smith, Faulds, Provost Boyd and Councillors Ross and Dinwoodie; Church Representatives: John Paterson, John McHugh and Matthew Sullivan; Teacher Representative Iain Harvey and Parent Representative Alasdair MacQueen.

10 September 2002

Dear Member

EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 17 SEPTEMBER 2002

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Education Committee** to be held on **TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2002 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
AMC/SM

BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - EDUCATION TO 28 JULY 2002 (PERIOD 4) (pages 1-4)** - Submit joint report dated 29 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Education Services for the period ended 28 July 2002 (Period 4).

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2. **SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN (pages 5-30)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational & Social Services advising of the production of an improvement plan for Educational Services that has been developed within the Service Planning process.

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3. **COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH KILMARNOCK: INSPECTION OF STANDARDS AND QUALITY (pages 30-32)** - Submit report dated 22 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the outcome of an inspection of Community Learning and Development in North Kilmarnock which took place in April and May 2002.

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4. **PRESUMPTION OF MAINSTREAM EDUCATION (Item 8, Page 2361) (pages 33-36)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval of a position statement on the presumption of mainstream education.

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5. **PROMOTING INCLUSION BY SUPPORT TO PUPILS (Item 8, Page 2361) (pages 37-40)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for a strategy on promoting inclusion by support for pupils' learning.

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6. **BETTER BEHAVIOUR -**

- 6.1 **PATHWAYS TO INCLUSION () (pages 41-43)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the work completed by a multi-disciplinary group focused on children with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties and seeking approval for a strategy to assist with the management of their needs.

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- 6.2. **SCHOOL EXCLUSIONS 1999-2002 (pages 44-46)** - Submit report dated 28 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising on the pattern of exclusion in Primary and Secondary Schools during the three sessions 1999 to 2002.

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- 6.3 **DISCIPLINE TASK GROUP FUNDING (pages 47-48)** - Submit report dated 10 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of additional resources allocated for better behaviour initiatives and seeking agreement on how to proceed.

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7. **NEW COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ANNUAL REPORT (Item 2, Page 1850) (pages 49-52)** - Submit report dated 20 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the annual reports on the New Community School Initiatives in East Ayrshire.

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8. **PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP A CUMNOCK FAMILY CENTRE (pages 53-54)** - Submit report dated 4 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of progress made in relation to developing a Family Centre in Cumnock.

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9. **ANNUAL REPORT: THE EXCELLENCE FUND FOR SCHOOLS (Item 6, Page 2612) (pages 55-56)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the results from the deployment of funds under the Excellence Fund for Schools.

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10. **GAELIC MEDIUM EDUCATION PROVISION**

- 10.1 **A STRATEGY FOR GAELIC EDUCATION (Item 23, Page 2064) (pages 57-67)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for a strategy for Gaelic Education.

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- 10.2 **CONSULTATION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF GAELIC MEDIUM EDUCATION PROVISION (Item 23, Page 2064) (Pages 68-77)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for a formal consultation on the establishment of a Gaelic Medium Secondary Education Provision.

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11. **INTRODUCTION OF A DEVOLVED MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES SCHEME OF DELEGATION FOR EARLY YEARS ESTABLISHMENTS (pages 78-87)** - Submit report dated 27 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for the introduction of a formal Devolved Management of Resources (DMR) System and procedures into early years establishments.

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12. **VOLUNTARY SECTOR GRANTS 2002/2003 (Item 6, Page 2509) (pages 88-92)** - Submit report dated 15 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for recommendations for awards in respect of allocation of Educational Voluntary Sector Grants for the year 2002/2003.

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13. **CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED CREATION OF A SPECIALIST FACILITY FOR PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (SEN) IN DOON ACADEMY, DALMELLINGTON (pages 93-101)** - Submit undated report (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of a proposal for the creation of a specialist facility for pupils with Special Educational Needs (SEN) in Doon Academy, Dalmellington.

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14. **CHANGES TO TEACHERS' SUPERANNUATION SCHEME (pages 102-104)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of changes to the Teachers' Superannuation Scheme and seeking approval to introduce a Winding-Down Scheme.

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15. **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (pages 105-107)** - Submit report dated 2 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of finance provided by the Scottish Executive to support the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) of Teachers and seeking approval for the proposed use of these funds.

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16. **SCHOOL BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENT FUND (pages 108-110)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the additional capital resources available for investment in school buildings received from the Scottish Executive.

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17. **NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR PE AND SPORT INITIATIVE (pages 111-116)** - Submit joint report dated 4 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services and the Director of Community Services seeking agreement to the recommendations for action to be submitted to the New Opportunities Fund (NOF) relating to the new opportunities for PE & Sport Initiatives.

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18. **REALLOCATION OF SCOTTISH BUDGET RESOURCES (pages)** - Submit report dated September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising

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19. **AWARDING OF CONTRACTS (pages 117-119)** - Submit report dated 17 July 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted in respect of the Education Service.



20. **BUILDING LEARNING COMMUNITIES: PROPOSED PPP SCHOOLS PROJECT (Item 2, Page 2272) (pages 120-122)** - Submit report dated 10 September 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the outcome of the bid to the Scottish Executive to secure funding for a Schools Public Private Partnership (PPP) Initiative to improve the condition of school buildings and seeking agreement to proceed with the proposal.



Additional Item:

CHAIR'S SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES - Submit for approval, as a correct record, and in respect of any recommendations therein, the Minutes of the Chair's Sub-Committee of the Education Committee of 23 May 2002 (copy enclosed).



21. **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 items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item".
22. **CREATIVE MINDS: ARTS AND EDUCATION STRATEGY (Item 16, Page 3245) (PARA 1) (pages 123-133)** - Submit report dated 27 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the significant progress being made in implementing the Arts and Education Strategy and seeking agreement to an updated strategic framework and plan for action for Arts and Education. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
23. **EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE - PAYMENTS AND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (PARA 9) (pages 134-135)** - Submit report dated 27 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for the purchase of a Payments and Management Information System for the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA). **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**
24. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - ON-SITE SERVICES TO 28 JULY 2002 (PERIOD 4) (PARA 6) (pages 136-140)** - Submit joint report dated 27 August 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the

On-Site Services Business Unit for the period ended 28 July 2002 (Period 4).
**Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph
above.**