

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

HOUSING COMMITTEE – 21 MARCH 2002

GAS CENTRAL HEATING/HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT TARGET IMPROVEMENTS

Report by Director of Homes and Technical Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise members on further improvements to be incorporated into the Gas Central Heating Programme

2. BACKGROUND

Provision is made within the Housing Capital Programme for Gas Central Heating. To date best value has been achieved by specification of system boilers (industry standard band 'D' 79% efficiency).which give improved performance over traditional in terms of reduced emissions, improved energy ratings and reduced running costs

3. DEVELOPMENT

Scottish Hydro Electric as an energy provider is required to re invest in the energy market and has offered to provide high efficiency boilers at a greatly discounted cost. This makes possible the procurement of boilers of higher efficiency and reduced emissions (industry standard band 'A' 90.4% efficiency) at similar cost to existing specification. This will allow the Council to provide the highest efficiency systems without reduction in numbers in the Capital Programme, increase the energy rating of the house and make a significant contribution towards energy targets set under HECA (Home Energy Conservation Act)

4. LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Implements the Home Energy Conservation Act 1995

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

6. RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to note the content of the report

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

Any person wishing further information on this report should contact George Malone,
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