

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE – 4 APRIL 2001

NEWMILNS CABIN

Report by Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is advise members of the Local Committee of the response regarding work being progressed at Newmilns Cabin.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Newmilns Cabin was transferred from Community Services Department responsibility to Educational and Social Services in October 2000.
- 2.2 A meeting was held at the Cabin at the end of the year with representation from the committee to highlight the outstanding concerns the committee had regarding the building.
- 2.3 It was agreed that a survey would be carried out regarding access to the building by disabled members and advice would be sought from the Manager, Independent Living.
- 2.4 Subsequent to the meeting, concerns about the adequacy of the heating of the building were raised.
- 2.5 The health and Safety Officer has now attended the Cabin and assessed the adequacy of the heating system.

3 REPORT

- 3.1 The report regarding access and toilet access for disabled members has now been received and included in the capital bids for funding within the department of educational and social services. The works will be progressed when funding becomes available.
- 3.2 The Health and Safety Officer report identified that there are an insufficient number of heaters in the building and that attention should be given to draught proofing. This work has been considered for progression within the financial year.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Cost of heating works and costs for access works are part of the proposed capital works which are budget dependant.

5. LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Members of the Local Committee are asked to:

- (i) welcome the progress contained in the report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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AGENDA