

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL  
IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE – 13 NOVEMBER 2002**

**GUTTER CLEANING PROGRAMME**

**Report by the Director of Homes and Technical Services**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To advise committee on progress with the gutter cleaning programme in Irvine valley.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 At the meeting of 18 September 2002 it was reported to committee that the release of funds had been agreed at the meeting of the Housing Committee on 11 September 2002 to facilitate a gutter cleaning programme, and that details of progress with regard to the Irvine Valley area would be reported back to this meeting.

**3. CURRENT POSITION**

- 3.1 An overall budget of £200K has been allocated to gutter cleaning across the district. Albeit this is a considerable amount of money, a degree of prioritisation is required in compiling the programme to ensure that those properties most susceptible to organic matter and weed proliferation are selected.
- 3.2 The first tranche was submitted to the Council's main contractor, Building and Works, immediately following Housing Committee approval for the release of funds for this programme. This listing contained addresses in all the Valley towns.
- 3.3 Building and Works have collated all the addresses and programmed the works. Operatives are currently on site and expect to complete the programme week beginning 18 November.

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications other than what is contained in the body of the report.

**5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There are no legal implications.

**6. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

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## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Nil

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**AGENDA**