

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 21 MAY 2003

COALFIELD COMMUNITIES CAMPAIGN

Report by Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise members of the forthcoming Coalfield Communities Campaign Annual Conference 2003 to be held in the Grand Pavilion Porthcawl from 8-10 September 2003.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The 3 day conference will focus on the things that matter to Coalfield Communities ie the future of Regional Policy; Community Regeneration; Creating Jobs on former pit sites; tackling low demand housing; a time of change for the Lottery; and Crime and Deprivation.
- 2.2 The key note speakers will be Rhodri Morgan, First Minister for Wales; Peter Hain, MP, Secretary of State for Wales; and Margaret Ford, Chair, English Partnerships

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The conference fee is £365 for members and £395 for non members. This fee includes lunches, study tours and conference dinner. Accommodation charges are additional.

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to consider representation at the above conference.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Advance notice of Annual Conference from Coalfield Communities Campaign.

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