

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 8 NOVEMBER 2000**

#### **CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF HOUSING IN SCOTLAND CONFERENCE 13-16 MARCH 2001, DUNDEE**

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

### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To request that the Sub-Committee consider attendance at the Annual Conference of the Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland.

### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland has advised authorities that the annual conference of the institute will take place in Dundee on 13th to 16th March 2001. The theme of the conference is "Act Together" and the programme has been structured to include specialist sessions on a range of current issues in addition to keynote speakers.

The conference is considered to be relevant to Officers and Elected Members who are involved in housing and will afford delegates the opportunity to examine the joint partnership approaches that will be necessary to manage the enormous changes underway such as the new Housing Act, single social tenancies, the new regulatory framework, the enhances strategic role of local authorities, stock transfer and benefits reform.

- 2.2 There are a range of housing conferences held throughout the year but it has been the practice to restrict attendance to those conferences which offer the maximum advantage to the Authority and the Housing Division. The Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland Conference is one of those where representation is recommended.

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The delegates fee for this four day conference is £380.

### **4. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.1 It is considered that the conference would be of benefit to the Council and request attendance is considered.

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## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil**

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**AGENDA**