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To: Councillors McIntyre (Chair), Jackson, Young, D Coffey, W Coffey, Reid, Weir, Macrae, Wilson, Linton, Darnbrough, Knapp, F MacLean, McDill, Kelly, Farrell, Provost Boyd, Councillors Ross and Dinwoodie.

14 February 2002

Dear Councillor

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

You are requested to attend the meeting of the **Policy and Resources Committee** to be held in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK** on **THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2002** at **1000 hrs** to consider the undernoted business.



Yours sincerely











SIGNED OFF BY JULIE ARMSTRONG

Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/
Director of Corporate Resources
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INTIMATE APOLOGIES.

1. **SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES** - Submit for approval as a correct record and approval of any recommendations contained therein, the undernoted Sub-Committee Minutes, viz:-
 - 1.1 **CHAIR'S SUB-COMMITTEE OF 18 DECEMBER 2001 (page 1)** (copy enclosed).

 - 1.2 **RECRUITMENT SUB-COMMITTEE OF 20 DECEMBER 2001 (pages 2-3)** (copy enclosed).


- 1.3 **RECRUITMENT SUB-COMMITTEE OF 17 JANUARY 2002 (pages 4-5)** (copy enclosed).

- 1.4 **MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF 30 JANUARY 2002 (pages 6-8)** (copy enclosed).

- 1.5 **CORPORATE SUB-COMMITTEE OF 12 FEBRUARY 2002 (pages 76-82)** (copy enclosed).

2. **BUDGET SCRUTINY GROUP** - Submit for noting the undernoted Minutes, viz:-
- 2.1 **MINUTES OF 20 DECEMBER 2001 (pages 9-12)** (copy enclosed).

- 2.2 **MINUTES OF 6 FEBRUARY 2002 (pages 83-84)** (copy enclosed).

3. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 16 DECEMBER 2001 (PERIOD 9) (pages 13-15)** - Submit report dated 31 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance on the current budgetary control position of the General Services Revenue Account for the period ended 16 December 2001 (Period 9).
 
4. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 16 DECEMBER 2001 (PERIOD 9) (pages 16-18)** - Submit joint report dated 5 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Directors of Finance and of Homes and Technical Services on the current budgetary control position of the Housing Revenue Account for the period ended 16 December 2001 (Period 9).
 
5. **STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION (pages 19-20)** - Submit report dated 6 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance to update Members on the position of the Council with regard to billing and collection of local taxes as at 13 January 2002 (Period 10).

6. **STATUTORY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2002/03 - DIRECTION 2001 (Item 11, Page 2098, 99/02) (pages 21-24)** - Submit report dated February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of the publication of the Local Government Act 1992, the

publication of Information (Standards of Performance) Direction 2001 by the Accounts Commission.

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7. **BEST VALUE SERVICE REVIEW - ROADS WORKS PROGRAMME PROCUREMENT (Item 9, Page 2246, 99/02) (pages 25-29)** - Submit report dated 4 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services to inform of outcomes of a review of the roads works programme procurement arrangements and to submit an action plan which will improve the level of service to customers.

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8. **KILMARNOCK COMMON GOOD FUND (Item 6, Page 2164, 99/02) (pages 30-32)** - Submit report dated 9 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Community Services to request the Committee to consider making a grant from Kilmarnock Common Good Fund to Kilmarnock and District Local History Group.

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9. **BETTER NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES FUND - UPDATE (Item 1, Page 2235, 99/02) (pages 33-35)** - Submit report dated 4 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/ Director of Corporate Resources to provide a progress report on the establishment of the Better Neighbourhood Services Fund (BNSF) programme within Northwest Kilmarnock and Shortlees/Riccarton.

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10. **MODERNISING GOVERNMENT FUND (MGF2) (pages 36-40)** - Submit report dated 28 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of the Modernising Government Fund (MGF2) and to seek approval to submit an outline bid to the Fund for an Information and Communications Technology (ICT) project.

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11. **LOCAL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME (pages 41-44)** - Submit report dated 28 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/ Director of Corporate Resources to propose the allocation of funding to Local Committees in respect of the Council's Community Grants budget for 2002/03.





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12. **MATCH FUND BUDGET (Item 13, Page 2099, 99/02) (pages 45-51)** - Submit report dated 28 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to report on the first year (2001/02) of operation of the Match Fund, to seek approval to fully utilise the budget and to recommend its implementation for the financial year 2002/2003.

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13. **DIGITAL COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (Item 1, Page 2126, 99/02) (pages 52-55)** - Submit report dated 28 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to report progress on the Council's expression of interest in nominating Muirkirk for funding as a new Digital Community.

14. **THE SCOTTISH SOCIAL ATTITUDE SURVEY (pages 56-57)** - Submit report dated 5 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise the Committee of a proposal by the Scottish Local Authorities Management Centre (SLAMC) and the National Centre for Social Research to conduct a survey of public attitudes towards Local Government in Scotland and to seek the Committee's approval to make a financial contribution to the cost of undertaking this research.

15. **EAST AYRSHIRE CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU CONCORDAT GROUP - FUNDING APPRAISAL REPORT (Item 15.4, Page 1600, 99/02) (pages 58-64)** - Submit report dated 5 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Community Services to provide information on the work of the East Ayrshire Citizen's Advice Bureau with a view to assessing the Council's contribution towards future funding.

16. **JOINT DEVELOPMENTS WITH AYRSHIRE AND ARRAN PRIMARY CARE (NHS) TRUST (pages 65-68)** - Submit report dated 7 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of the outcome of the two partnership bids made by Ayrshire and Arran Primary Care (NHS) Trust in conjunction with East Ayrshire Council and other partner organisations to the Executive for funding to secure improved health care facilities in the communities of Dalrymple and North West Kilmarnock and to propose a programme for taking forward these projects.

17. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** - Recommend that the Committee pass the following Resolution:- "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act".
18. **CHILDREN'S PANEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (Item 15, Page 2248, 99/02) (pages 69-71)** - Submit report dated 4 February 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of nominations for a Council appointee vacancy on East Ayrshire's Children's Panel Advisory Committee (CPAC) and to seek the

Committee's decision in respect of an appointment to the Committee. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

- 19. PANEL OF SAFEGUARDERS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION WITHIN THE CHILDREN'S HEARINGS SYSTEM (Item 20, Page 2101, 99/02) (pages 72-75)** - Submit report dated 22 January 2002 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of new Regulations in respect of legal representation within the Children's Hearings system and, in the light of this, to request the appointment of a suitably qualified member to East Ayrshire's Panel of Safeguarders. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

MEMBERS SHOULD NOTE THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL BE GIVING A PRESENTATION ON THE ANNUAL REPORT 2000.