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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, Dinwoodie and Taylor.

7 June 2001

Dear Councillor

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 14 JUNE 2001

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Policy and Resources Committee** to be held in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK** on **THURSDAY 14 JUNE 2001** at **1000 HOURS** in order to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED OFF BY JULIE ARMSTRONG

Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources
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B U S I N E S S

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 **BEST VALUE SUB-COMMITTEE OF 15 MAY 2001 (page 1) (copy enclosed).**



1.2 **MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF 23 MAY 2001(pages 2-5) (copy enclosed).**



- 1.3 **PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE OF 5 JUNE 2001 (pages 6-9) (copy enclosed).**



- 1.4 **CHAIR'S SUB-COMMITTEE OF 5 JUNE 2001 (pages 10) (copy enclosed)**



2. EAST AYRSHIRE NORTH SOCIAL INCLUSION INITIATIVE BOARD

- 2.1 **MINUTES OF MEETING (pages 11-20)** - Submit minutes of 24 April 2001 (copy enclosed) for noting and approval of any recommendation contained therein.



- 2.2 **FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BOARD (pages 21-22)** - Submit report dated 30 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources which advises Members of the establishment of a constituted Board for the East Ayrshire North Social Inclusion Initiative Board and proposes that responsibility for decision-making and budgetary matters be devolved to the Board.



3. **STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION (pages 23-24)** - Submit report dated 30 May 2001 (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 31 March 2001.



4. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT - ANNUAL REPORT 2000/2001 (pages 25-29)** - Submit report dated 29 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance to inform Members of the out-turn performance of the Treasury Management function for the financial year 2000/2001.



5. **INTERNAL AUDIT STRATEGIC PLAN 2001/2002 TO 2003/2004 (pages 30-41)** - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Chief Auditor to submit details of the three year strategic audit plan.



6. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORTS - QUARTER 1 (2001)** - Submit the undernoted reports (copies enclosed) on the absence rates for the quarter ended 30 March 2001 in respect of the following Departments, viz:-

- 6.1 CORPORATE RESOURCES AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S (pages 42-45)** - Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources dated 21 May 2001



- 6.2 FINANCE DEPARTMENT (pages 46-48)** - Report by Director of Finance dated 1 June 2001.



- 7. VIREMENT 2001/2002 - DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REVENUE BUDGET (pages 49-50) ()** - Submit report dated 5 June 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services to seek Committee approval for the virement of budgets which is necessary following the unsuccessful bid by Clyde Solway Consortium, of which East Ayrshire Council was a partner, to renew the contract for maintaining the Trunk Roads in South West Scotland, the successful contractor being Amey Limited.



- 8. CONSULTATION ON NATIONAL PLAN FOR ALCOHOL MISUSE (pages 51-57)** - Submit report dated 29 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to (i) advise Committee of the Scottish Executive Consultation Paper on a plan for action on alcohol abuse; and (ii) to seek approval of a draft response prepared by Officers on behalf of the Council.



- 9. EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL'S CHILDREN'S SERVICE PLAN 2001/2004 (pages 58-63)** - Submit report dated 22 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to (i) seek approval for "Inspiring Children and Young People", East Ayrshire Council's Children's Services Plan 2001-2004; and (ii) to seek approval for the associated Child and Young Person's Charter of Rights.



- 10. COMMUNITY PLANNING - THE NEXT SIX MONTHS (pages 64-69)** - Submit report dated 31 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Chief Executive to provide an update on Community Planning and to make proposals on the Community Planning process, the preparation of a Community Plan for East Ayrshire and related decision-making issues.



- 11. BETTER NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES FUND (pages 70-73) ()** - Submit report dated 30 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to update on progress made to date in relation to the new Better Neighbourhood Services and to outline the timetable of future action required.



12. **ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT STRATEGY (pages 74-100)** - Submit report dated 30 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek approval of a strategy for progressing electronic-government initiatives within East Ayrshire.

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13. **MODERNISING GOVERNMENT FUND PROJECT (pages 101-106) ()** - Submit report dated 29 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek approval of the action plan for implementing the Modernising Government Funded Project promoted by East Ayrshire Council and its partners.

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14. **BETTER GOVERNMENT FOR OLDER PEOPLE (pages 107-109) ()** - Submit report dated 1 June 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to advise of proposals to amalgamate the Bi-Annual Liaison Meeting between East Ayrshire and the Elderly Forum Steering Group with the quarterly Better Government for Older People Group Meeting.

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15. **REQUEST FOR FUNDING - WOMEN'S FORUM (pages 110-111)** - Submit report dated 31 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Community Services to invite the Committee to consider allocating funds to the Women's Forum Officer's Working Group to support the Council initiative in 2001.

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16. **REVIEW OF POLITICAL LEADERSHIP STRUCTURES (pages 112-138) ()** - Submit report dated 30 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Member/Officer Working Group on political leadership structures to submit for consideration the conclusions and recommendations of the Member/Officer Working Group on outstanding issues relating to the revised decision-making structure within East Ayrshire.

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17. **OBJECTIVES PARTNERSHIP (SCOTLAND LTD) - APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMPANY (pages 139-140)** - Submit report dated 23 May 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services to (i) inform the Committee of the opportunity to become an associate member of Objective 3 Partnership (Scotland) Ltd and (ii) to recommend that the Council applies for associate membership.

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