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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, Taylor.

24 November 2000

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 30 NOVEMBER 2000** at **1000 hrs** to consider the undernoted business.




Yours sincerely










SIGNED OFF BY BILL WALKINSHAW

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 **RECRUITMENT SUB-COMMITTEE OF 10 OCTOBER 2000 (page 1)**
(copy enclosed).

 - 1.2 **BEST VALUE SUB-COMMITTEE OF 11 OCTOBER 2000 (pages 2-4)**
(copy enclosed).

 - 1.3 **CHAIR'S SUB-COMMITTEE OF 24 OCTOBER 2000 (page 5)** (copy enclosed).


- 1.4 **RECRUITMENT SUB-COMMITTEE OF 6 NOVEMBER 2000 (page 6)**
(copy enclosed).

- 1.5 **MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF 8 NOVEMBER 2000 (pages 7-8)** (copy enclosed).

- 1.6 **APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE OF 14 NOVEMBER 2000 (page 9)**
(copy enclosed).

- 1.7 **PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE OF 21 NOVEMBER 2000** (copy enclosed).

2. **BUDGET MONITORING GROUP (pages 10-15)** - Submit for noting Minutes of the Budget Monitoring Group held on 27 September 2000 (copy enclosed).

3. **SOCIAL INCLUSION STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUP (pages 16-17)** - Submit, for noting the Minutes of the Social Inclusion Strategic Partnership Group held on 9 November 2000 (copy enclosed).

4. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENTS TO 20 OCTOBER 2000 (PERIOD 7)**- Submit the undernoted reports (copies enclosed) on the current budgetary control position and projected out-turn for the period ended 20 October 2000 (Period 7).
- 4.1 **POLICY AND RESOURCES (CENTRAL SERVICES) (pages 18-20)** - Report by Director of Finance dated 10 November 2000.

- 4.2 **POLICY AND RESOURCES (CORPORATE RESOURCES) (pages 21-23)** - Joint report by Director of Finance and Director of Corporate Resources dated 10 November 2000.

5. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE ACCOUNT - SUMMARY TO 20 OCTOBER 2000 (PERIOD 7) (pages 24-26)** - Submit report dated 6 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance on the current budgetary control position of the General Services Revenue Account for the period ended 20 October 2000 (Period 7).


6. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 20 OCTOBER 2000 (PERIOD 7) (pages 27-29)** - Submit joint report dated 10 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Directors of Finance and of Homes and Technical Services on the current budgetary control position for the Housing Revenue Account for the period ended 20 October 2000 (Period 7).

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7. **STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION (pages 30-31)** - Submit report dated 13 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance on the position of the Council with regard to billing and collection of local taxes as at 20 October 2000 (Period 7).

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8. **ESTIMATES 2001/2 -**

- 8.1 **PROPOSED TIMETABLE (pages 32-34)** - Submit report dated 14 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance on a proposed timetable for the preparation of estimates 2001/02.

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- 8.2 **COUNCIL TAX PAYMENT DATE (pages 35-36)** - Submit report dated 12 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance to propose changing the Council Tax payment date to take advantage of the provisions of new legislation designed to improve Council's collection performance.

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9. **SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE INQUIRY INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (pages 37-40)** - Submit report dated 21 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Finance to propose a response to an invitation from the Local Government Committee of the Scottish Parliament to provide a written submission on the current issues in Local Government Finance as part of their examination of the system.

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10. **SOCIAL INCLUSION**

- 10.1 **REPRESENTATION ON SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP BOARDS (pages 41-42)** - Submit report dated 21 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Chief Executive to seek approval to secure Elected Member representation and participation on the North Social Inclusion Partnership Board and the Coalfield Social Inclusion Partnership Board.

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10.2 SOCIAL INCLUSION CHALLENGE FUND BID - “ACROSS THE AGE DIVIDE” (pages 43-44) - Submit report dated 22 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek approval for finance from the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund to deliver a project entitled “Across the Age Divide”.

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10.3 SOCIAL INCLUSION CHALLENGE FUND BID - YOUTH OUTREACH PROPOSAL - CATRINE (pages 45-46) - Submit joint report dated 23 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services and Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek approval for non-recurring funding from the Social Inclusion Challenge Fund to support an outreach youth project in the Catrine Area.

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11. ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORTS - QUARTER 3 (2000) - Submit the undernoted reports on the absence rates for the quarter period ending 29 September 2000 (Quarter 3) in respect of the following Departments, viz:-

11.1 CORPORATE RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S OFFICE (pages 47-51) - Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources dated 23 November 2000 (copy enclosed).

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11.2 FINANCE DEPARTMENT (pages 52-54) - Report by the Director of Finance dated 12 November 2000 (copy enclosed).

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12. VALUE FOR MONEY PLAN 2000/03 (pages 55-56) - Submit report (copy enclosed) by the Chief Auditor on a proposed Value for Money Plan for the three financial years 2000/01 to 2002/03.

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13. CUMNOCK AND DOON VALLEY INITIATIVE - TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (pages 57-60) - Submit report dated 16 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Development Services to inform of (i) the proposed transfer of funds from the former Cumnock and Doon Valley Initiative to East Ayrshire Council and (ii) the associated recommendations of the Cumnock and Doon Valley Initiative regarding the use of those funds.

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14. **EAST AYRSHIRE ZERO TOLERANCE GROUP REPORT (pages 61-65)** - Submit report dated 13 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to provide information in relation to the progress of Zero Tolerance group within East Ayrshire and to seek approval for the continuation of the affiliation fee to Zero Tolerance Charitable Trust.



15. **ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY (pages 66-67)** - Submit report dated 14 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Community Services requesting the Committee to adopt a revised Environmental Strategy in principle and grant authority to consult on the proposals.



16. **A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY IN EAST AYRSHIRE (pages 68-71)** - Submit report dated 9 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Community Services on the proposed development of the Community Safety Partnership in East Ayrshire with an emphasis on the strategic planning process and to seek approval in principle of the draft Community Safety Strategy for further consultation.



17. **EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEME 1997 - PROPOSED PROGRAMME FOR SECOND REVIEW (pages 72-74)** - Submit report dated 14 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek authorisation to carry out a second review of the East Ayrshire Community Council Scheme 1997.



18. **POSTCOMM: CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS ON PROMOTING EFFECTIVE COMPETITION BETWEEN POSTAL OPERATORS AND ON LICENSING POSTAL SERVICES (pages 75-76)** - Submit report dated 13 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources to seek Committee's views on consultation papers circulated by Postcomm in promoting effective competition between postal operators and on licensing postal services.



19. **REVIEW OF POLITICAL LEADERSHIP STRUCTURES** - Submit report dated 24 November 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Member/Officer Working Group on Political Leadership Structures recommending approval of the revised decision making structures.

