

Melanie Macleod: Direct Dial Number: (01563) 576094

To: Councillors Darnbrough (Chair), Hall, Young, D Coffey, Reid, L MacLean, Weir, McIntyre, Macrae, Linton, Walsh, Raymond, F MacLean, Jackson, Kelly, Farrell, Faulds, Menzies, Taylor and Carmichael.

7 September 2000

Dear Councillor

SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 14 SEPTEMBER 2000

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Social Work Committee** to be held on **THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2000** at **0930 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely

SIGNED OFF BY BILL WALKINSHAW

Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

JM/LI

BUSINESS

INTIMATE APOLOGIES

1. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - SOCIAL WORK TO 28 JULY 2000 (PERIOD 4)** - Submit joint report dated 5 September 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Directors of Educational and Social Services and of Finance on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Social Work Section, for the period ended 28 July 2000 (Period 4).



2. **BEST VALUE REVIEW : SOCIAL WORK SERVICES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM** - Submit report dated 15 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the outcome of the review of Criminal Justice Social Work Services and seeking approval of the proposed action resulting from the review. Please note that a copy of the Improvement Action Plan is available in the Members Lounge.

 R

3. **FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANAGING AND DELIVERING SOCIAL WORK SERVICES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM** - Submit report dated 23 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the outcome of discussions involving East, North and South Ayrshire Councils in relation to the future management and delivery arrangements for criminal justice social work services, seeking endorsement of the arrangement being proposed and approval for the forwarding of an outline proposal to the Scottish Executive.

 R

4. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT - QUARTER 3 APRIL 2000 TO 2 JULY 2000** - Submit report dated 31 July 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of absence rates for the Department of Social Work for the quarterly period ending 2 July 2000.

 R

 A





 A

5. **“IT’S A CRIMINAL WASTE : STOP YOUTH CRIME NOW”** - Submit report dated 28 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the outcome of a review into youth crime, of the Scottish Executive’s response to the recommendations contained in the report and of the intended action to be taken by the Educational and Social Services Department and seeking approval to refer additional staff recommendations to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee.

 R

6. **RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES FROM THE SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE** - Submit report dated 5 September 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the submission to the Scottish Executive for additional monies to develop services to older people to address the issues of delayed discharges from hospital and seeking agreement to the proposals for the expenditure of the £242,925 provisionally allocated to East Ayrshire Council.

 R

7. **REPORT ON THE BEFRIENDING SERVICE** - Submit report dated 7 September 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services presenting proposals to consolidate the Council's Befriending Service within the Social Work Service and seeking approval for the related staffing recommendations to be referred to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee for consideration.

8. **REPORT ON FOSTER CARE SERVICES** - Submit report dated 5 September 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of the work being undertaken by the Foster Care Service and seeking agreement to proposals to expand the Foster Care Service within current resources.

9. **SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968 - SECTION 10 PAYMENTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS - SCOTTISH WOMENS AID** - Submit report dated 28 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising of an additional application received from a voluntary organisation for Section 10 funding in 2000/2001 and making recommendations for the approval of payment.

10. **WORKING TOGETHER TO STRENGTHEN SERVICES** – Submit report dated 9 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services advising Members of initial arrangements for the new Department of Educational and Social Services and inviting consideration of the proposed key targets for the new Department in its first year of operation.

11. **RECONSTITUTION OF ADOPTION AND FOSTERING PANELS TO MEET NEW REQUIREMENTS** – Submit report dated 17 August 2000 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services recommending that the Social Work Committee approve (i) the necessary reconstitution of East Ayrshire's Adoption and Fostering Panel to take account of the merger of the new Department and the duties outlined in the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 Regulations hereafter referred to as the Regulations and Scottish Office Guidance Volume 2 and Volume 3 hereafter referred to as the Guidance; and (ii) the policy and procedure document that provides guidelines for the formation and implementation of this panel. **This report was withdrawn.**