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To: Councillors Jane 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.

6 September 2001

Dear Councillor

SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 13 SEPTEMBER 2001

You are requested to attend the meeting of the **Social Work Committee** to be held on **THURSDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2001** at **1000 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

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INTIMATE APOLOGIES

- 1.. **LOOKED AFTER AND ACCOMMODATED PERSONS INFORMATION DIARY AND VIDEO (Pages 1-3) (Item , Page)** - Submit report dated 23 July 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the production and contents of an information diary and video, prepared on behalf of the Council's looked after and accommodated children and young people. (Appendix enclosed separately).

A short presentation will be made to the Committee by young people in respect of the information diary and video.



2. **BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - SOCIAL WORK TO 29 JULY 2001 (PERIOD 4)** - Submit joint report (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 Department for the period ended 29 July 2001 (Period 4).

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3. **LAUNCH OF EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL'S CHILD PROTECTION PROCEDURES (Item , Page) (Pages 4-7)** - Submit report dated 14 August 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the introduction and launch of East Ayrshire Council's Child Protection Procedures. (Appendix enclosed separately).

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4. **UPRATING OF APPROVED NURSING AND RESIDENTIAL HOME RATES (Pages 8-10) (Item , Page)** - Submit report dated 15 August 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking approval for the uprating of the Council's rate for voluntary and private residential and nursing home care for older people and the revision in respite charges for older people.

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5. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT REPORT: 2 APRIL - 1 JULY 2001 (Pages 11-15)** - Submit report dated 6 September 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on absence rates for Social Work Services and Resource Support for the quarter ending 1 July 2001.

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6. **CHILDREN'S CHANGE FUND ALLOCATION FOR TACKLING DRUGS AND ASSOCIATED DRUG REHABILITATION INITIATIVE (Pages 16-23)** - Submit report dated 4 September 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services to advise elected members of, and to seek approval for, proposals to develop a range of initiatives to tackle the problems of drugs misuse utilising the Children's Change Fund allocation for tackling drugs and equipping resources from within the Social Work budget.

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7. **KILMAURS DEVELOPMENT (Pages 24-27) (Item , Page)** - Submit report dated 24 August 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on progress within the Kilmaurs Partnership Development and seeking approval for the implementation for the revised staffing arrangements.

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8. **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN (Pages 28-34)** - Submit report dated 21 August 2001

(copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services recommending a prioritised Departmental Health and Safety Action Plan.



9. **ANTI-POVERTY ACTIVITY: ANNUAL REPORT 2000/2001 (Pages 35-39) -** Submit report dated 13 September 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on Anti-Poverty activities undertaken by Social Work staff during the period 1 April 2000 to 31 March 2001.



10. **AYRSHIRE PARTNERSHIP IN PRACTICE AGREEMENT 2001/2004 AND THE EAST AYRSHIRE PARTNERSHIP IN PRACTICE AGREEMENT 2001/2004 (Pages 40-44) -** Submit report dated 24 August 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the Ayrshire and East Ayrshire Partnership In Practice Agreements 2001/2004, which set out the direction for services to people with learning disabilities and their families/carers and which required to be submitted to the Scottish Executive by 30 June 2001.



11. **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 item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 7A of the Act".

12. **DEATH OF A CHILD LOOKED AFTER AND ACCOMMODATED BY EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (Pages 45-47) (Item , Page) -** Submit report dated 14 August 2001 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the formal response from the Scottish Ministers to the report submit to them in April 2001 on the circumstances surrounding the death of MH, a child looked after and accommodated by East Ayrshire Council. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**