

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE – 6 NOVEMBER 2003

VIREMENT OF RESOURCES – COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Report by the Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Social Work Committee approval to recommend to the Policy & Resources Committee the virement of Community Support budgets to Education.

2. VIREMENT PROPOSAL

- 2.1 As part of the Council restructuring of 2000 which created the Department of Educational and Social Services, the then newly created post of Head of Community Support was given the management responsibility for Community Learning and Development. This section includes both Community Support from Social Work and Community Learning from Education.
- 2.2 As the section now operates under the control of one Principal Officer the merging of these budgets under one Committee would facilitate the close scrutiny and monitoring of budgets. Table 1 (below) highlights the proposed budget virement.

TABLE 1 – COMMUNITY SUPPORT BUDGETS 2003/04

EXPENDITURE HEADING	2003/04 BUDGET
Employee Costs	£478,421
Premises Costs	2,255
Transport Related Costs	17,497
Supplies and Services	23,866
Third Party Payments	431,383
Transfer Payments	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£953,422
Income	(64,635)
NET EXPENDITURE	£888,787

3. FINANCIAL / LEGAL / POLICY IMPLICATIONS

3.1.1 Section 5.3 (i) of the Council's Financial Regulations states that virement over £50,000 must be approved by Policy and Resources Committee.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Committee is asked to:

- (i) agree in principle to the virement proposals as detailed in section 2.2 of the report;
- (ii) refer the virement request to Policy and Resources Committee for approval; and
- (iii) otherwise note the contents of this report.

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EC/JBS
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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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