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To: Councillors Jackson (Chair), Murray, O'Neill, Young, Reid, Cree, Weir, McIntyre, Macrae, Wilson, Linton, Knapp, Raymond, Finlayson, McDill, Kelly, Farrell, Menzies, N McGhee, Crawford and Stewart.

5 September 2003

Dear Councillor

SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2003

You are requested to attend the next meeting of the **SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE** to be held on **THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2003** at **1000 HOURS** in the **MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**, to discuss the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely



Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources
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INTIMATE APOLOGIES







1. **BUDGETARY PROGRESS REPORT - SOCIAL WORK TO 27 JULY 2003 (PERIOD 4) (Pages 1-4)** - Submit joint report dated 28 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Directors of Finance and of Educational and Social Services on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Social Work for the period ended 27 July 2003 (Period 4).

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2. **AWARDING OF CONTRACT (Pages 5-7)** - Submit report dated 6 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources providing, for information, details of tenders which have been accepted.

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3. **SOCIAL WORK PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES 2003-2004 (Pages 8-12)** - Submit report dated 4 September 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking endorsement of the Social Work Performance Objectives detailed in the operational policy statement "Social Work Performance Objectives 2003-2004".

4. **HOSPITAL RETRACTION DEVELOPMENT (Pages 13-15)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the developments in relation to the retraction of services at Arrol Park and Strathlea Resource Centres.

5. **HEALTH AND SAFETY ACTION PLAN (Pages 16-21)** - Submit report dated 22 July 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on proposals for a revised and updated Departmental Health and Safety Action Plan for 2003-2004 in relation to Social Services.

6. **ABSENCE MANAGEMENT - QUARTERS 1 AND 2, 2003 (Pages 22-25)** - Submit report dated 25 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on staff absence rates for Social Services, including Resource Support and Support to Communities, for the quarterly periods ending 31 March and 30 June 2003.

7. **EAST AYRSHIRE RACE EQUALITY SCHEME (Pages 26-30)** - Submit report dated 4 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the Race Equality Action Plan developed following an assessment of Social Work functions within the Department of Educational and Social Services.

8. **EXTENDING CARE SUPPORT SERVICES (Pages 31-33)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the development of support services complementary to Social Work frontline services which will increase the opportunity for vulnerable people to stay in the community.

9. **ENHANCEMENT OF DAY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE (Pages 34-35)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the proposed enhancement of day support services for older people.


10. **DIRECT PAYMENTS UPDATE (Pages 36-37)** - Submit report dated 26 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the implementation of Direct Payments in East Ayrshire and seeking approval for an hourly payment rate for Direct Payments.

11. **RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION ACTION PLAN 2002 - PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 38-42)** - Submit report dated 13 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on progress on the implementation of the Recruitment and Retention Action Plan approved by Committee on 23 May 2002.

12. **UPLIFT IN GRANTS FOR VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS (Pages 43-44)** Submit report dated 30 July 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the proposed uplift in Grants for Voluntary Organisations providing services for children and families and who receive funding from mainline budgets.

13. **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN'S UNIT AT MONTGOMERY PLACE, KILMARNOCK (Pages 45-47)** - Submit report dated 25 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the proposed development of a new intensive support children's unit at Montgomery Place, Kilmarnock.

14. **THE SUPPORTING PEOPLE PROGRAMME (Pages 48-51)** - Submit joint report dated 8 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services and Educational and Social Services on the implementation of the Scottish Executive Initiative and its operation in East Ayrshire Council since April 2003.

15. **SERVICES FOR LOOKED AFTER AND ACCOMMODATED YOUNG PEOPLE (Pages 52-54)** - Submit report dated 29 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on a proposed Best Value Review of Services for Looked After and Accommodated Young People.

16. **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 items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item".

17. **AWARD OF CONTACT FOR AUCHINLECK CARE HOME (PARA 9) (Pages 55-57)** - Submit report dated 18 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services seeking endorsement for the award of a contract to an independent sector care provider to build, operate and manage the Auchinleck Care Home Project. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**

18. **BEST VALUE SERVICE REVIEW OF OLDER PEOPLE'S RESIDENTIAL SERVICES (PARA 2) (Pages 58-63)** - Submit report dated 21 August 2003 (copy enclosed) by the Director of Educational and Social Services on the outcome of the consultation exercise regarding the future of the four residential homes for older people operated by the Council. **Report not enclosed - Refer to Exclusion of Press and Public paragraph above.**