

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE: 14 MARCH 2003**

### **CONSULTATION WITH THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND**

#### **Report by Head of Planning and Building Control**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to give feedback from the Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland about the Committee's concerns regarding their consultation replies on planning applications.

#### **2. BACKGROUND**

2.1 At the Southern Local Planning Committee on 29 November 2002 the Committee decided that the Head of Planning and Building Control should write to the Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland to convey its concerns at the content of their consultation reply in relation to the erection of a dwellinghouse at 10 Ford Street, Catrine. The Committee were specifically concerned that the Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland had continued to object to the proposal despite it being in accordance with the Local Plan and Approved Design Guidance.

#### **3. CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSE**

3.1 The Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland replied by telephone indicating that they welcomed the Design Guidance leaflets and the efforts by the Council to achieve a high standard of design. They are aware that a formal objection may trigger a report to committee and they will in future be more circumspect in objecting when the proposal is in accordance with the Council's Design Guidance. The Head of Planning and Building Control advised that he would suggest an amendment to the scheme of delegation to deal with applications that are in accordance with the Design Guidance under delegated powers in the event that there is an objection from Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland or Scottish Civic Trust.

#### **4. FINANCIAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 An amendment to the scheme of delegation would be required to delegate applications for minor householder extensions, single houses, shop fronts and advertisements to the Head of Planning and Building Control which are in accordance with the design guidance and subject only to objection from the Architectural Heritage Society or the Scottish Civic Trust.

**5. RECOMMENDATION**

**5.1 It is recommended that Committee**

- (a) note the reply from Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland**
- (b) request that the Head of Planning and Building Control address this matter in any review of the scheme of delegation**

**Alan Neish**  
**Head of Planning and Building Control**

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**LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 1. Planning Application 02/0715/FL
- 2. Correspondence with Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland

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