

APPENDIX VIII

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

**FINANCE AND PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND
RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 1997 AT 1401
HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,
KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Drew McIntyre, Douglas Reid, Wilma Doyle, Daniel Coffey and Tommy Farrell.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Gordon Clark, Director of Finance; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Alex McPhee, Senior Depute Director of Finance; Tom McHugh, Depute Director of Finance; Robert McLeary, Head of Property Services; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer; and Alex Hewetson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors David Sneller, Jane Darnbrough, David Fulton, Kim Nicoll and Eric Ross.

CHAIR: In the absence of the Chair, Councillor Drew McIntyre was appointed to the Chair.

**BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - GENERAL SERVICES
REVENUE ACCOUNT TO 10 OCTOBER 1997 (PERIOD 7)**

1. The Director of Finance reported that this item had been withdrawn and would be submitted to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 4 December 1997.

**BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - HOUSING REVENUE
ACCOUNT TO 10 OCTOBER 1997 (PERIOD 7)**

2. There was submitted and noted a report dated 18 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Finance on the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Housing Revenue Account for the period ended 10 October 1997 (Period 7).

**GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME TO 7 NOVEMBER 1997
(PERIOD 8)**

3. There was submitted and noted a report dated 18 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Finance on the current position of the General Services Capital Programme to 7 November 1997 (Period 8).

HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME TO 7 NOVEMBER 1997 (PERIOD 8)

4. There was submitted and noted a report dated 18 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Finance on the current position of the Housing Capital Programme to 7 November 1997 (Period 8).

It was also noted that the Director of Housing would be asked to provide Members with information on the current progress of window replacement projects.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON REVENUE COLLECTION

5. There was submitted and noted a report dated 18 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Finance on the position of the billing and collection of local taxes for the Council as at 10 October 1997.

Councillor Reid raised an issue of possible non-availability of the Assessor's records in relation to the Community Charge. It was indicated that the Director of Finance was currently investigating the position on this matter and would advise Members appropriately as soon as possible.

DRAFT POLICY ON CONCESSIONARY RENTALS (Item 9, Page 2484)

6. The Head of Property Services reported and it was noted that consideration of the issue of concessionary rentals had been subsumed by the Member/Officer Working Group on Non-Domestic Rates Relief and that group would submit a composite report on a Draft Policy for Concessionary Rents and Rates Relief to the Policy and Resources Committee in due course.

PROPOSED LEASE OF OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, COUNCIL OFFICES, AVENUE SQUARE, STEWARTON

7. There was submitted a report dated 5 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services seeking authority to lease to Strathclyde Police, office accommodation in the Council Offices, Avenue Square, Stewarton.

It was agreed to lease the office accommodation in the Council Offices, Avenue Square, Stewarton to Strathclyde Police, for a period of up to 15 years, at an initial annual rental of £3,600, subject to 3 yearly rent reviews, and to the terms and conditions outlined in the report and to authorise the Head of Legal Services to make the necessary arrangements.

PROPOSED RENT REVIEW - 43-49 JOHN FINNIE STREET, KILMARNOCK

8. There was submitted a report dated 4 November 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services seeking approval for the rent review of office accommodation at 43-49 John Finnie Street, Kilmarnock.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the provisionally agreed rental of £19,550 per annum for subjects at 43-49 John Finnie Street, Kilmarnock effective from 1 August 1996; and;
- (ii) to authorise the Head of Legal Services to conclude matters on behalf of the Council.

The meeting terminated at 1414 hours.