

**APPENDIX**

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**HOUSING CAPITAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 1999 AT 1002 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Jimmy Kelly, John Weir, Drew McIntyre, David Macrae, John Knapp, Tommy Farrell, Julie Faulds and Provost Jimmy Boyd.

**ATTENDING:** Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; Jim Lavery, Director of Homes and Technical Services; Chris McAleavey, Head of Homes; Tom Wilkie, Head of Technical Services; Alan Rodger, Senior Accountant; Anna Gallagher, Solicitor/Team Leader; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Willie Coffey and Douglas Reid.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Jimmy Kelly, Chair.

**HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING GROUP**

1. There were submitted and noted the Minutes of the meeting of the Housing Capital Programme Monitoring Group held on 13 October 1999 (circulated).

**HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME (HRA) 1999/2000**

**2.1 CONSTRUCTION WORKS**

There was submitted and noted a statement dated 27 October 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services on construction works on housing projects including the Housing Capital Programme 1999/2000.

**2.2 RECEIPTS**

There was submitted a report dated 22 October 1999 (circulated) by the Solicitor to the Council on the position in respect of Housing Capital Receipts for the financial year 1999/2000.

It was agreed to note the terms of the report which, amongst other things, indicated:-

- (i) that as at 30 September 1999, Right to Buy Receipts amounted to approximately £3,500,000 in terms of transactions settled up to that date; and
- (ii) that for the whole of the financial year 1999/2000, Right to Buy Receipts were now estimated at £7,400,000, assuming a reduction in the application rate for the remainder of the year; and that other capital receipts were estimated at £20,000.

**2.3 AWARDING OF TENDERS**

There was submitted and noted a report dated 14 October 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Services which provided, for information, details of tenders

which had been awarded in respect of housing contracts, as shown in the Annexation to these minutes.

#### **2.4 DECORATING ALLOWANCE : REWIRING CONTRACTS**

There was submitted a report dated 19 October 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Homes and Technical Services on approaches made by tenants involved in the 1999/2000 rewiring contracts regarding the level of damage to their décor and the amount of decoration vouchers paid in compensation.

It was agreed to recommend:-

- (i) that the value of decoration vouchers to be paid to tenants of houses included in the current year's, and future years' comparable, rewiring contracts be increased to £100; and
- (ii) approval, in respect of the increased value of vouchers referred to above, for an additional expenditure of £19,020 on the current year's electrical rewiring contracts.

#### **HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME (HRA) 2000/2001**

3. It was noted that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda to enable further consideration to be given to the proposed programme for 2000/2001 pending a firm indication from the Scottish Executive on the Council's borrowing consent for the year; and preparation of a firm estimate on Housing Capital Receipts.

The meeting terminated at 1017 hours.