

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18 DECEMBER 1995 AT  
1000 HOURS IN THE LONDON ROAD CENTRE, KILMARNOCK**

- PRESENT:** Councillors David Sneller (Chair), Andrew McIntyre, Irene Reeves, Douglas Reid, Jane Darnbrough, James O'Neill, Robert Beattie, Daniel Coffey, Robert Fulton, Kim Nicoll, George Turnbull, James Kelly, James Boyd, Tommy Farrell and Eric Jackson.
- ATTENDING:** David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; Des Tierney, Director of Commercial Operations; Bill Stafford, Director of Community Services; Stephen Chorley, Director of Development Services; John Mulgrew, Director of Education; Gordon Clark, Director of Finance; John Hillis, Director of Housing; Jim Dickie, Director of Social Work; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Allan MacDougall, Depute Director of Social Work (Resources); Douglas Campbell, Head of Public Relations and Marketing and Admin Support (A M Carr).
- APOLOGIES:** Councillors Wilma Doyle, Ronald Brailsford and Eric Ross

**CHAIR'S REMARKS**

1. The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, extended the Council's thanks to the Chief Executive and his officers for their hard work and commitment over the past few months and he also took the opportunity to express to the officers and their families best wishes for the festive season.

**NON-HOUSING CAPITAL EXPENDITURE:  
FINANCIAL PLANS 1996/97 TO 1997/98**

2. There was submitted by the Director of Finance the outline general services capital plans categorised in terms of broad priority (circulated) for Community Services, Development Services, Roads and Transportation, Support Services, Education, Social Work, Commercial Operations and the Housing Non-HRA account.

The Chair reported that a meeting had been held with CoSLA at which concern was raised regarding the new requirement, introduced by the Secretary of State without consultation, for authorities to use 25% of their capital receipts for the repayment of debt. In addition the Chair advised that increasing constraints on the likely level of capital resources for 1996/97 would result in Councils experiencing serious difficulties in putting up matching funding for projects eligible for support from European resources within their area.

The Director of Finance spoke to his report and advised that it was anticipated that the questions raised in the report regarding the precise nature of the Secretary of State's restrictions on CFCR (Capital Funded from Current Revenue) for 1996/97 would be addressed at a CoSLA meeting with the Scottish Office.

The Director of Finance emphasised that the main purpose of the report was to enable East Ayrshire Council to submit its overall capital programme plan bid to the Scottish Office rather than to itemise each potential project at this stage.

In conclusion, the Chair stressed to the Committee that there had been no specific element included within the capital programme bid for flood prevention and stated that the Council had written to the Scottish Office specifically regarding flood prevention measures; a further specific bid for flood prevention schemes would be made as soon as costed sensible options were to hand following completion of the imminent Consultants' study. Further, the Chair advised that it was anticipated that the demitting authorities would legally commit expenditure in the new financial year, up to a maximum of 70% of their existing allocation leaving only 30%, on a standstill basis, for allocation to the new authorities for fresh projects; this in turn might result in a shortfall of £2.5 million for East Ayrshire Council in respect of its desired programme.

It was agreed:

- i) to note that an approach was being made to the Scottish Office to request that consideration be given to relaxing the controls imposed on Local Authorities in respect of finance raised from capital receipts in respect of accommodation and setting up of costs arising from reorganisation and with regard to schemes match funded by the European Community and that CoSLA had been urged to pursue this issue with the Scottish Office also;
- ii) It was agreed to approve the general services capital programme financial plan for 1996/97 to 1998/99 subject to the following amendments, viz:-

(i) **Development Services**

Project Description

Dalmellington - amend priority category from 'B' to 'A'

Loch Doon improvements - amend priority category from 'B' to 'A'

Councillor Reid joined the meeting during discussion of the above item.

(ii) **Education**

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Nicoll, moved that a named bid for £500,000 be added to the capital programme for the upgrading of Galston Primary School.

Councillor Sneller, seconded by Councillor McIntyre, moved as an amendment that the proposed general services capital plan bid for Education as detailed in the report be approved.

On a division by a show of hands the amendment was carried by 12 votes to 3.

(iii) **Social Work**

Project description

Glebe Resource Centre - replacements - delete the word "Glebe"

Councillor Sneller, seconded by Councillor Kelly, moved that the proposed bid for the general services capital plan bid for expenditure be approved and submitted to the Scottish Office as detailed in the Appendix to these Minutes.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Reid, moved as an amendment that the general services capital plan bid for expenditure be approved subject to the inclusion of an additional £500,000 and submitted to the Scottish Office.

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by 12 votes to 3.

The meeting terminated at 1050 hours.

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					1996/97		1997/98		1998/99		Later Years		
					LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC	
			£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
<b>Community Services</b>													
<b>Libraries</b>													
Dick Institute Stonework	Lib	A	148	144	4								
Dick Institute Art Gallery	Lib	A	260	140	120								
Mauchline Cross Development	Lib	A	512	216	296								
Computerised Record System	Lib	B	119	86		33							
Provision of Libraries - non-spec	Lib	C	300					150		150			
Mobile Library	Lib	B	50			50							
<b>Museums</b>													
Dick Institute Heating Systems	MG	A	34	33	1								
Pride & Passion Exhibition	MG	A	60			60							
Museum Development	MG	C	100					50		50			
<b>Halls</b>													
Gatehead Public Hall	RSP	A	130	127	3								
<b>Dean Castle Country Park</b>													
Visitor Centre	RSP	A	585	580	5								
Rare breed Centre	RSP	A	93	70	20								
Car Parking	RSP	A	80	78	2								
Dower House	RSP	A	311	70	230				11				
Provision of Signage - New SW Plant	RSP	B	55			55							
<b>Parks and Open Spaces</b>													
Sports Area Pavilions	RSP	A/C	244		44			100		100			
Riverbank Stabilisation	RSP	A	3		3								
New Farm Loch Foot. Pitches	RSP	A	1		1								
Annanhill Clubhouse	RSP	A	1		1								
<b>Sports and Recreation</b>													
Feasibility Study - Wet/Dry Sports	RSP	B	15			15							
All Weather Football Parks	RSP	B	300			100		100		100			
Bellfield Bowling Club	RSP	B	30			30							
Hurlford Juniors	RSP	B	30			30							
Provision of Swimming/Sports Facilities	RSP	C	1000					500		500			
Playground Development	RSP	S/C	450			150		150		150			
<b>Cemeteries</b>													
Development	CBG	A/B	306	152	54			50		50			
<b>Registration of Births etc</b>													
Cumnock - Extension	OLS	A	214	77	137			0					
<b>Cleansing/Environmental Health</b>													
Recycling/Waste Man - non spec	Clea	B/C	450			150		150		150			
Waste Disposal Centres	Clea	B/C	300			100		100		100			

Roof Removal - Baling Stores	Clea	A	34	30	4								
			<b>6215</b>	<b>1803</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1364</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1350</b>			<b>0</b>

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			Cost	Years	LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC	LC	NYLC		
			£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	
<b>Development Services</b>														
Planning														
Textile Training	PP	A	50		50									
Access Road, Precinct, Cumnock	PP	A	60	40	20									
Glencairn PH2	FBI	A	502	490	12									
Kilmarnock Town Centre Covenant	PP	A	700	250	150		150		150					
Alexander Morton Memorial	PP	A	5		5									
Stewarton Town Centre	PP	A	105	93	12									
Hurlford Town Centre	PP	A	100	80	17				3					
Southcraig Industrial Site	FBI	B	750			250		250		250				
Small industrial units	FBI	B/C	300			100		100		100				
Industrial Units - Regeneration	FBI	C	450			150		150		150				
Industrial redevelopment projects	FBI	C	450			150		150		150				
Dalmellington	FBI	B	100			100								
Business loans	JB	B	1500			500		500		500				
Town Centre improvements	PP	B/C	400			100		150		150				
Millennium forest projects	Coun	B	80			20		20		20				
Heritage Projects	HB	B/C	180		40	20		60		60				
Conservation Grants Scheme	HB	B	300			100		100		100				
Loch Doon improvements	TCS	B	15			15								
Local amenity projects	PP	B/C	600			200		200		200				
Local amenity projects - regeneration areas	PP	B	750			250		250		250				
			<b>7377</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>1955</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1933</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1930</b>				<b>0</b>

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<b>Roads and Transportation</b>																
Road Safety		A	510		90	120		150		150						
Road Action Plans		A	1543		263	360		460		460						
Town Centre Action Plans		B/C	3040			860		1090		1090						
Minor works and transportation studies		A	2600		90	710		900		900						
Operational		A	1263		63	340		430		430						
Street lighting		A/B	2150			610		770		770						
Named schemes (Bypasses etc P.F.I.)		C	4150			50		100		4000						
PTA		A/B	2250			750		750		750						
			<b>17506</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>506</b>		<b>3800</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>4850</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>8550</b>		<b>0</b>

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<b>Support Services</b>													
Information Technology													
Infrastructure	ABE	A	718	118		300		150		150			
Access Terminals	ABE	B	300			100		100		100			
Service Development	ABE	A/B	1350			150		300		300			
Accommodation													
Decentralisation Programme	ABE	A	750			250		250		250			
Civic Offices													
London Road	ABE	A	1262	512		650		100					
Acquisition	ABE	A	50			50							
New Build / (Refurbishment of Properties)	ABE	A/B	2750			500		1250		1000			
			<b>7180</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2150</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1800</b>			<b>0</b>

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<b>Education</b>													
<b>Major Projects</b>													
Gargieston Primary School	P	A	215	72	136		7						
Kilmarnock Academy	S	A	1600	118	864		578		40				
Maintenance		A	2250			750		750		750			
School Upgrade		B/C	1415					415		1000			
Vehicles		B/C	300			100		100		100			
New Technology for Learning		B	300			100		100		100			
Traffic Management		A	450			150		150		150			
<b>Other Schemes</b>													
Health & Safety - EU Legislation		A	750			250		250		250			
SEN Adaptations		B	210			70		70		70			
Property Protection		B	600			200		200		200			
Spend to Save		B	300			100		100		100			
Minor Works		B	218	38		60		60		60			
			<b>8608</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1780</b>		<b>585</b>	<b>2195</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2780</b>		<b>0</b>

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			£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
<b>Social Work</b>													
Affleck House - upgrade	-	A	350	32	306		12						
Auchinleck Area Centre	R	A	1310	20	585		680		25				
Cumnock PMH Unit	A	B/C	460					360		100			
Child Care Unit Refurbishment	-	A/B	200			75		75		50			
Glebe Resource Centre - Replacements	R	C	100							100			
HFE Refurbishment	-	A	850			50		300		300			
Seat Belt Retro Fit	-	A	20			20							
Replacement of Vehicles	-	B/C	290			105		105		80			
Intermediate Treatment Centre	R	C	250							250			
Community Care	A	B	600			200		200		200			
Area Centres			1150					150		1000			
			<b>6380</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>1190</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2080</b>			<b>0</b>

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Commercial Operations													
Purchase of vehicles		B/C	1350			450		450		450			
<b>Housing - Non HRA</b>													
<b>Standard grants</b>													
Improvement Grants		A	900		50	250		300		300			
Repairs Grants		A	60			20		20		20			
<b>Discretionary Grants</b>													
Improvement Grants		A/B	900			300		300		300			
Repairs Grants		A/B	300			100		100		100			
Lead Plumbing		B	150			50		50		50			
Enabling		B	450			150		150		150			
<b>Community Care</b>													
Care and Repair		B	75			25		25		25			
Disabled		A	300			100		100		100			
Community Alarms		A	300			100		100		100			
Unspecified		C	150			50		50		50			
<b>Homelessness</b>													
Furnishings		A	150			50		50		50			
Women's Aid		A	200			200							
<b>Miscellaneous</b>													
Service Sites		B	150			50		50		50			
Off Street Parking		B	150			50		50		50			
John Finnie Street, Kilmarnock		A/B	300	100		100		100					
			<b>4535</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1595</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1445</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1345</b>			<b>0</b>
			<b>58151</b>	<b>3766</b>	<b>3678</b>	<b>13403</b>	<b>1427</b>	<b>15377</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>20285</b>			<b>0</b>
						<b>3678</b>		<b>1427</b>		<b>215</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Total Programme</b>						<b>17081</b>		<b>16804</b>		<b>20600</b>			



						333		60		0			
<b>Total Income</b>						<b>10788</b>		<b>10290</b>		<b>10230</b>			

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Excess to be Prioritised (Assumes max of fully utilised each year)						6293		6614		10270			
<b>Consent Restriction 1996/97</b>													
Total assumed allocation						8730							
Scottish Office assumed commitment						6110							
Assumed provisional allocation						2620							
Scottish Office assumed commitment						6110							
Identified legally committed scheme						3678							
Potential Initial Shortfall						<b>2432</b>							

(Note - This should be adjusted in June 1996)