

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 1997
AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jimmy Boyd, Gordon Cree, Wilma Doyle, Ronald Brailsford, Jane Darnbrough, Alan Campbell, Bob Beattie, Daniel Coffey, Eric Ross, Jim Kelly, David Sneller, John Smith and Eric Jackson.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Douglas Bulloch, Director of Social Work; Allan McDougall, Depute Director of Social Work; Alastair Gardiner, Senior Accountant; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer; and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Drew McIntyre, Irene Reeves, Jim O'Neill, Kathleen Hall, David Macrae, Robert McDill and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: Councillor Jimmy Boyd, Chair.

DRAFT ESTIMATES 1997/98 - GENERAL SERVICES

1.1 FINANCIAL REPORT

There was submitted and noted a report dated 21 February 1997 (circulated with the agenda for the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 25 February 1997) by the Director of Finance, which advised of the latest position now that finalised figures had been obtained in terms of the 1997/98 budget and which recommended that the Committee determine final allocations for each of the service Committees and requested that those Committees finalise savings and growth packages to align service delivery plans with the final allocations for 1997/98 taking into account the views and comments made during the Councils public consultation exercise.

1.2 REMIT FROM THE SPECIAL POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 25 FEBRUARY 1997

There was submitted and noted a remit (minute extract circulated) from the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 25 February 1997 requesting that the Social Work Committee finalise savings and growth packages for Social Work Services to align service delivery plans with the final financial allocations for 1997/98, as determined by the Special Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 25 February 1997.

1.3 REVENUE BUDGET FOR 1997/98

There was submitted a report dated 25 February 1997 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work detailing a package of measures to align the service delivery plans with the final financial allocations for 1997/98, taking into account the views and comments made during the Council's public consultation exercise.

Councillor Boyd, seconded by Councillor Darnbrough, moved:-

- (i) to approve the revised savings, growth and re-investment contained in the report, to align the Social Work budget to the final allocation remitted by the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 25 February 1997; and
- (ii) to recommend adoption of the savings, growth and re-investment proposals to the Special Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 5 March 1997.

Councillor Brailsford, seconded by Councillor Campbell, moved as an amendment to note the revised savings, growth and re-investment proposals contained in the report to align the Social Work budget to the final allocation remitted by the Policy and Resources Committee of 25 February 1997.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 10 votes to 3.

The meeting terminated at 1015 hours.