

APPENDIX I

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

**CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE
SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 1999 AT 1400
HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON
ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jane Darnbrough, Gordon Cree, Alan Campbell, Jim O'Neill, Daniel Coffey, Jimmy Boyd and John Smith.

ATTENDING: Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; Bernadette Docherty, Senior Depute Director of Social; Allan Y McDougall, Depute Director of Social Work; Ian Gemmell, Head of Anti-Poverty Unit; John Butler, Service Officer (Children and Families); and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGY: Councillor Irene Reeves.

CHAIR: Councillor Jane Darnbrough, Chair.

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

1. There was submitted and noted a report dated 10 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work on the establishment of the East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee and the outcome of the Committee's inaugural meeting.

**HM PRISON, KILMARNOCK - SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH THE
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT**

2. There was submitted a report dated 10 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work on the requirement to develop a service level agreement for Criminal Justice Social Work Services to be delivered to HM Prison, Kilmarnock and which sought approval for the creation of additional posts in relation to this.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Social Work submit a further report to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee on the details of the service level agreement drawn up with the Prison in due course;
- (ii) that the Director of Social Work refer the matter of the recruitment of one Senior Social Worker Post and two Social Worker posts to provide services to Premier Prison, to the next meeting of the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee;
- (iii) that Elected Members be provided in due course with a briefing on the remit of the Social Work Department within the HM Prison, Kilmarnock; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL'S CHILDREN'S SERVICE PLAN

3. There was submitted a report dated 10 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work on progress in implementing the Council's Children's Service Plan, "Our Children" and which outlined key areas of work for the Social Work Department in 1999.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the progress made to date in implementing the Children's Service Plan;
- (ii) to approve the priorities for future developments within the Social Work Department as detailed within the report;
- (iii) that the Director of Social Work submit future reports to the Sub-Committee on further progress made in implementing the Children's Service Plan; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

A NEW CONTRACT FOR WELFARE: SUPPORT FOR DISABLED PEOPLE

4. There was submitted a report dated 16 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Social Work on information on the Government's plans for support to disabled people within the Welfare Reform Programme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to endorse the response made by the Director of Social Work in response to the Government's Consultation Document, "A New Contract for Welfare: The Gateway to Work";
- (ii) that the Director of Social Work provide a seminar for Elected Members on support for disabled people within the Government's Welfare Reform Programme following completion of the Government's consultation exercise; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1442 hours.