

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 1999 AT 0945 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Drew McIntyre, Kathleen Hall, Ann Hay, John Knapp, Daniel Coffey, David Fulton, Robert McDill, Eric Ross, Jim Kelly, David Sneller, Jimmy Boyd, George Smith, Jimmy Carmichael and Robert Taylor.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Stephen Chorley, Director of Development Services; Ian Arnott, Corporate Accounting Manager; and Alex Hewetson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Douglas Reid, Provost Robert Stirling and Councillors Kim Nicoll, George Turnbull and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: Councillor Drew McIntyre, Chair.

DRAFT ESTIMATES 1999/2000 - GENERAL SERVICES**1.1 FINANCIAL REPORT (Item 1, Page 4244)**

There was submitted and noted a report dated 16 February 1999 (circulated with the Agenda for the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999) by the Director of Finance which had advised of the position with regard to the general services revenue budget for 1999/2000 and which had recommended that the Policy and Resources Committee determine final allocations for each of the Service Committees and requested those Committees to finalise savings and growth packages to align service delivery plans with the final allocations for 1999/2000 taking into account the views and comments made during the Council's public consultation exercise.

1.2 REMIT FROM SPECIAL POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 19 FEBRUARY 1999 (Item 1, Page 4244)

There was submitted and noted remit (Minute excerpt circulated) from the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999 which requested that the Development Services Committee finalise savings and growth packages for the Department of Development Services to align service delivery plans with the final financial allocations for 1999/2000 as determined by the Special Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 19 February 1999.

Councillors Kathleen Hall, Ann Hay, Daniel Coffey and Robert McDill joined the meeting during consideration of the above item.

1.3 REVENUE BUDGET FOR 1999/2000

There was submitted a report dated 19 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services which detailed a package of measures to align service delivery plans with financial allocations for 1999/2000 taking into account the views and comments made during the Council's public consultation exercise.

The Director of Development Services reported amendments to the Development Services growth package table attached as an Appendix to the report, as undernoted, viz:-

No 2 - Economic Development - Economic development promotion of new market opportunities growth package figure of £20,000 to read, viz:- £25,000;

No 3 - Roads - Roads Winter Maintenance - growth package figure of £15,000 to read, viz:- £10,000.

Councillor McIntyre, seconded by Councillor Boyd, moved:-

- (i) to approve the savings and growth proposals detailed in the table attached to the report, as amended, to the approved CCLS (Cost of Current Level of Service) budget to align the Development Services Committee budget to the final financial allocation approved by the Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999; and
- (ii) to recommend adoption of the savings and growth proposals to the Special Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 3 March 1999.

Councillor McDill, seconded by Councillor Coffey, moved as an amendment:-

- (i) to note the savings and growth proposals detailed in the table attached to the report, as amended, to the approved CCLS (Cost of Current Level of Service) budget to align the Development Services Committee budget to the final financial allocation approved by the Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999; and
- (ii) to continue consideration of the adoption of the savings and growth proposals to the Special Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 3 March 1999.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 10 votes to 4.

The meeting terminated at 0952 hours.