

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**HOUSING COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 1999 AT 0915 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Kelly, Drew McIntyre, Irene Reeves, Gordon Cree, Jane Darnbrough, Alan Campbell, Kathleen Hall, John Knapp, Robert McDill, David Sneller, George Smith and Jim Carmichael.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; John Hillis, Director of Housing; Chris McAleavey, Senior Depute Director of Housing; Alistair Gardiner, Senior Accountant; and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Gordon McCredie, Douglas Reid, Provost Robert Stirling and Councillors David Macrae and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: Councillor Jim Kelly, 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 (issued under separate cover as Item 1 of the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999) by Director of Finance which advised the Policy and Resources Committee of the position with regard to the General Services Revenue Budget for 1999/2000, and 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 financial allocations for 1999/2000, taking into account the views and comments made during the Council's public consultation exercise.

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

There was submitted and noted a remit (Minute excerpt circulated) from the Special Policy and Resources Committee of 19 February 1999 which contained a request that the Housing Committee finalise savings and growth packages for Housing 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.

1.3 GENERAL FUND HOUSING 1999/2000

There was submitted a report dated 18 February 1999 (circulated) by the Director of Housing which detailed measures to align the service delivery plans with the final financial allocations for 1999/2000, taking into account the views and comments made during the Council's public consultation exercise.

Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Cree, moved that the Committee:-

- (i) approve the revised savings package as detailed in the report to align the General Fund Housing Budget to the financial allocation remitted by the Policy and Resources Committee from its Special Meeting of 19 February 1999; and
- (ii) recommend adoption of the savings proposals to the Policy and Resources Committee at its Special Meeting to be held on 3 March 1999.

Councillor Campbell, seconded by Councillor McDill, moved as an amendment that the Committee:-

- (i) note the revised savings package as detailed in the report to align the General Fund Housing Budget to the financial allocation remitted by the Policy and Resources Committee from its Special Meeting of 19 February 1999; and
- (ii) recommend continuation of the savings proposals to the Policy and Resources Committee at its Special Meeting to be held on 3 March 1999.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by nine votes to three.

The meeting terminated at 0918 hours.