

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 1999 AT 1400 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors David Sneller, Drew McIntyre, Douglas Reid, Jim O'Neill, Kathleen Hall, Ann Hay, Daniel Coffey, James Kelly, Jimmy Boyd, John Smith and Eric Jackson.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Alex McPhee, Director of Finance; John Hillis, Director of Housing, Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Roddy Wallace, Head of Administration; and Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Irene Reeves, Provost Robert Stirling and Councillors David Fulton, Robert McDill, Kim Nicoll, George Turnbull and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: Councillor David Sneller, Chair.

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 1999/2000 - DRAFT ESTIMATES

1. There was submitted a joint report dated 4 February 1999 (circulated) by the Directors of Housing and of Finance which advised of and sought approval (a) to the proposed Housing Revenue Estimates 1999/2000 remitted from the Housing Committee of 9 February 1999 held earlier that day; and (b) the level of which house rents would be levied for the financial year 1999/2000.

There was also submitted Excerpt from the Special Housing Committee Minutes of 9 February 1999 (circulated) which detailed the recommendation of the Committee as follows:-

- (a) recommend to the Special Policy and Resources Committee, to be held later that day:-
 - (i) approval of the draft Estimates for the Housing Revenue Account 1999/2000, as outlined in Section 4 of the report; and
 - (ii) approval of a flat rate increase in all house rents of £1.00, together with an additional increase of £0.87 for houses in the north of East Ayrshire in terms of the agreement pertaining to the harmonisation of rent levels; and
- (b) otherwise, to note the terms of the report.

Councillor Sneller, seconded by Councillor Jackson moved to recommend to Council acceptance of the recommendations of the Special Housing Committee of 9 February 1999 as detailed above.

Councillor Reid, seconded by Councillor Coffey, moved as an amendment that consideration of the whole matter be continued to the Special Council Meeting to be held on Thursday 11 February 1999 and that the Committee otherwise note the terms of the report.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 7 votes to 4 votes.

The meeting terminated at 1404 hours.