

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 1998 AT 1000 HRS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Depute Provost Jimmy Boyd and Councillors Drew McIntyre, Irene Reeves, Gordon Cree, Wilma Doyle, Jane Darnbrough, Jim O'Neill, Kathleen Hall, Ann Hay, John Knapp, David Fulton, Kim Nicoll, George Turnbull, Eric Ross, Jim Kelly, David Sneller, George Smith, Jimmy Carmichael, Robert Taylor, John Smith and Eric Jackson.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; Bill Stafford, Director of Community Services; Stephen Chorley, Director of Development Services; John Mulgrew, Director of Education; John Hillis, Director of Housing; Iain McLachlan, Director of Personnel Services; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; William Taylor, Acting Director of Commercial Operations; Alex McPhee, Acting Director of Finance; Bernadette Docherty, Senior Depute Director of Social Work; Roddy Wallace, Head of Administration; Kate McVey, Head of Legal Services; Douglas Campbell, Head of Public Relations and Marketing; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; James Lally, Senior Administrative Officer; and Bob Pollock and Hugh Mitchell, Strathclyde Police Liaison Officers.

APOLOGIES: Provost Robert Stirling and Councillors Gordon McCredie, Douglas Reid, Ronald Brailsford, Alan Campbell, Daniel Coffey, David Macrae, Robert McDill and Tommy Farrell.

CHAIR: In the absence of the Provost, Depute Provost Boyd.

DEPUTE PROVOST'S REMARKS

1. Depute Provost Boyd welcomed Hugh Mitchell to the Council and explained that he would be replacing Bob Pollock as the Council's Liaison Officer with Strathclyde Police. He confirmed that he was looking forward to working with Hugh and thanked Bob Pollock for the work he undertook while employed by the Council.

Hugh Mitchell then provided a brief history of his career to date and confirmed that he was looking forward to carrying on the work started by Bob Pollock in the post of Strathclyde Police Liaison Officer.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

2. There were submitted Minutes of Meeting of Council held on 24 September 1998 (circulated) which were approved as a correct record.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

3. There were submitted (circulated) and approved subject to the undernoted amendments, both as correct records and in respect of the recommendations contained therein, the Minutes of the undernoted Committee meetings, viz:-
 - 3.1 **SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 14 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3732-3735).**

- 3.2 SPECIAL AD HOC HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1998 (page 3736).
- 3.3 NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3737-3743).
- 3.4 EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE OF 17 SEPTEMBER 1998 (page 3744).
- 3.5 SPECIAL AD HOC HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OF 22 SEPTEMBER 1998 (page 3745).
- 3.6 SPECIAL AD HOC HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OF 23 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3746-3747).
- 3.7 SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 23 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3748-3749).
- 3.8 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 28 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3760-3763).
- 3.9 KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 29 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3764-3768).
- 3.10 CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 1 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3769-3773).
- 3.11 NORTHERN AREA LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 2 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3774-3779).
- 3.12 HOUSING COMMITTEE OF 7 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3780-3787).
- 3.13 IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 7 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3788-3791).
- 3.14 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 8 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3792-3799).
- 3.15 SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 9 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3800-3805).
- 3.16 SPECIAL CENTRAL LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 9 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3806-3811).
- 3.17 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 9 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3812-3813).
- 3.18 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 12 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3814-3816).
- 3.19 KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 14 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3817-3820).
- 3.20 EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF 15 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3821-3829)
- 3.20.1 GALSTON AND CROSSHOUSE NURSERIES
 - It was agreed that the Director of Education keep Local Members informed on the current situation with regard to the ongoing remedial works required in relation to the reinstatement of the above premises.
- 3.21 NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 15 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3830-3834).
- 3.22 SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE OF 20 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3835-3845).

- 3.23 DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 20 OCTOBER 1998 (page 3846).**
- 3.24 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 21 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3847-3861).**
- 3.24.1 REMIT FROM COMMITTEE - LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES MEMBER/OFFICER WORKING GROUP (Item 15, page 3850)**
- It was agreed to appoint the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Community Services Committee and Councillors Jane Darnbrough, David Fulton, Gordon McCredie and Alan Campbell to serve on the Library and Information Services Member/Officer Working Group.
- 3.25 SPECIAL KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 21 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3862-3864).**
- 3.26 POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 22 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3865-3888).**
- 3.26.1 REVIEW OF DEPARTMENTAL STRUCTURES (Item 26, page 3873)**
- It was agreed that the detailed staffing structure proposals be amended to grade the Chief Auditor SO18.
- 3.27 CENTRAL LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 23 OCTOBER 1998 (pages 3889-3892).**

**ACCOUNTS COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND - STATUTORY REPORT
OVERVIEW OF DLOs/DSOs**

4. There was submitted a report dated 26 October 1998 (circulated) by the Chief Executive to draw to the attention of Council the findings of the Accounts Commission in respect of the report by the Controller of Audit on the overview of DLOs and DSOs in Scotland.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the findings of the Accounts Commission for Scotland in respect of the Controller of Audit's report on the overview of DLOs and DSOs in Scotland;
- (ii) to note that Officers would explore the possibility of extending yet further the scope of the Authorities Buying Consortium in respect of supplies for DLOs and DSOs and report accordingly; and
- (iii) otherwise to note the terms of the report.

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON 1996/97 ACCOUNTS

5. There was submitted and noted report dated 27 October 1998 (circulated) by the Acting Director of Finance presenting to Members the Auditor's report on his audit for 1996/97.

**APPOINTMENT TO EAST AYRSHIRE VICTIM
SUPPORT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

6. There was submitted a report dated 28 October 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services advising of a request from East Ayrshire Victim Support Management Committee to appoint a member of Council to the Committee.

It was agreed to appoint Councillor Jane Darnbrough as the Council's representative on the East Ayrshire Victim Support Management Committee.

The meeting terminated at 1022 hrs.