

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9 NOVEMBER 1998 AT 1230 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Drew McIntyre, Eric Ross and Jimmy Boyd.

**ATTENDING:** John Spooner, Business Development Manager; George Park, Employee Relations Manager; James Lally, Senior Administrative Officer; and Gerry McMenemy, Solicitor.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Douglas Reid, Provost Robert Stirling, Councillors Daniel Coffey and David Sneller.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Drew McIntyre, Vice-Chair.

**ADDITIONAL ITEM**

1. The Committee agreed to the consideration of an additional item under Exclusion of Press and Public, requesting approval of a request for early retirement, as an urgent decision was required in relation to this matter.

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

2. The Committee resolved that under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item.

**LOAN FUNDING TO MANUFACTURING COMPANY (Para 6)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 5 November 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services, seeking approval for additional loan funding, contributing to an overall financial package involving other parties, to secure the continued trading of a recently established new business.

Having noted that the new funding package referred to in Section 3.7 of the report had been agreed in January 1998 and not 1997, as had been stated in the report, it was agreed to approve additional loan funding of £15,000, for a term of seven years with an initial capital repayment moratorium of one year, subject to (i) confirmation of other sources of funding; and (ii) the appointment of the business' mentor, as identified in the report, to the Board of the company concerned.

**REQUEST FOR EARLY RETIREMENT (Para 1)**

4. There was submitted a report dated 6 November 1998 (tabled) by the Director of Personnel Services, seeking approval of a request from a Support Analyst in the Department of Support Services, to pursue early retirement.

It was agreed to approve the request for early retirement from the Support Analyst in the Department of Support Services.

The meeting terminated at 1257 hours.