

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 1998 AT  
1000 HRS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,  
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Depute Provost Jimmy Boyd and Councillors Drew McIntyre, Irene Reeves, Ronald Brailsford, Jim O'Neill, Ann Hay, John Knapp, Daniel Coffey, George Turnbull, Robert McDill, Eric Ross, David Sneller, George Smith, Jimmy Carmichael, John Smith, Tommy Farrell 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; Iain McLachlan, Director of Personnel Services; Douglas Bulloch, Director of Social Work; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Alex McPhee, Acting Director of Finance; Chris McAleavey, Senior Depute Director of Housing; Robin Gourlay, Depute Director of Commercial Operations; Roddy Wallace, Head of Administration; Kate McVey, Head of Legal Services; Ian Arnott, Chief Management Accountant; Graham Kerr, Public Relations Officer; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; Jane Overton, Senior Policy Adviser; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer; and Melanie Macleod, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Provost Robert Stirling and Councillors Gordon McCredie, Gordon Cree, Douglas Reid, Wilma Doyle, Jane Darnbrough, Alan Campbell, Kathleen Hall, David Fulton, David Macrae, Kim Nicoll, Jim Kelly and Robert Taylor.

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

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

1. There were submitted Minutes of Meeting of Council held on 18 June 1998 and Minutes of Meeting of Special Council held on 19 August 1998 (circulated) which were approved as a correct record.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

2. There were submitted (circulated) and, with the exception of the Minutes of the Special Ad Hoc Commercial Strategy Review Committee as detailed, approved both as correct records and in respect of recommendations contained therein, the Minutes of the undernoted Committee meetings, viz:-
  - 2.1 **SPECIAL NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 12 JUNE 1998 (pages 3490-3491).**
  - 2.2 **SPECIAL SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 12 JUNE 1998 (pages 3492-3495).**
  - 2.3 **SPECIAL CENTRAL LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 16 JUNE 1998 (pages 3496-3497).**
  - 2.4 **SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 22 JUNE 1998 (pages 3510-3514). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).**

- 2.5 SPECIAL AD HOC HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OF 24 JUNE 1998 (pages 3515-3518).
- 2.6 SPECIAL IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 24 JUNE 1998 (pages 3519-3520).
- 2.7 SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 26 JUNE 1998 (pages 3521-3525).
- 2.8 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 29 JUNE 1998 (pages 3526-3529). Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.9 NORTHERN AREA LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 30 JUNE 1998 (pages 3530-3537).
- 2.10 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 7 JULY 1998 (pages 3538-3539). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.11 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 13 JULY 1998 (pages 3540-3545). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.12 EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE OF 16 JULY 1998 (pages 3546-3547).
- 2.13 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 20 JULY 1998 (pages 3548-3552). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.14 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 27 JULY 1998 (pages 3553-3558). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.15 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 3 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3559-3561). Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.16 CENTRAL LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 4 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3562-3565).
- 2.17 SPECIAL NORTHERN AREA LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 5 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3566-3567).
- 2.18 SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 7 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3568-3569).
- 2.19 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 10 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3570-3575). (Approved by Special East Ayrshire Council of 19 August 1998).
- 2.20 EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE OF 10 AUGUST 1998 (page 3576).
- 2.21 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 17 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3577-3579).
- 2.22 KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 18 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3580-3585).

**2.22.1 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT MACKELLAR PLACE, KILMARNOCK (Item 3, Page 3581)**

It was noted that the proposed new residential development would be named Loch View.

**2.23 CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 20 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3590-3597).**

**2.24 NORTHERN AREA LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 21 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3598-3608).**

**2.25 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 24 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3609-3611).**

**2.26 HOUSING COMMITTEE OF 26 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3612-3617).**

**2.27 IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 26 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3618-3623).**

**2.28 SPECIAL AD HOC HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OF 27 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3624-3626).**

**2.29 SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 28 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3627-3630).**

**2.30 SPECIAL AD HOC COMMERCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW COMMITTEE OF 31 AUGUST 1998 (pages 3631-3635).**

**2.31 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 1 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3636-3649).**

**2.31.1 INTEGRATED TRANSPORT POLICY (Item 16, Page 3646)**

It was noted that a letter had been received from the Minister for Housing, Transport and European Affairs intimating that he could not attend the meeting scheduled for 2 October 1998. The Council had written to him requesting an urgent meeting and a copy of this letter would be sent to the Leader of the Opposition for information.

**2.32 KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 1 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3650-3655).**

**2.33 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 2 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3656-3668).**

**2.34 KILMARNOCK SOUTH LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 2 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3669-3673).**

**2.35 EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF 3 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3674-3686).**

**2.35.1 REVIEW OF LETTING POLICY FOR EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS (Item 20, Page 3682)**

It was agreed that the letting policy be amended to reflect that charges levied in respect of the use of education premises for all elections be set in accordance with national provisions in force and otherwise approved the letting policy.

**2.36 SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE OF 8 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3687-3697).**

**2.36.1 REMIT FROM COMMITTEE - MEMBER/OFFICER GROUP ON AIDS AND ADAPTATIONS (Item 11, Page 3690)**

It was agreed to appoint the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Social Work Committee, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Housing Committee and two Members of the Opposition

Group, whose names should be intimated to the Chief Executive, to serve on the Member/Officer Group.

- 2.37 **DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE OF 8 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3698-3704).**
- 2.38 **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 10 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3705-3728).**
- 2.39 **EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE OF 10 SEPTEMBER 1998 (page 3729).**
- 2.40 **CENTRAL LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE OF 11 SEPTEMBER 1998 (pages 3730-3731).**

#### **EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE OF 9 SEPTEMBER 1998**

- 3. There were submitted and noted Minutes of Meeting held on 9 September 1998 (circulated) as contained within the Appendix to these Minutes.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE - RESCHEDULED MEETING**

- 4. It was agreed that the next meeting of the Community Services Committee scheduled for 14 October 1998 at 1400 hrs be now held on Wednesday 21 October 1998 at 1400 hrs in the Meeting Room, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock.

#### **APPOINTMENT TO KILMARNOCK COLLEGE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

- 5. There was submitted a report dated 17 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on a request from Kilmarnock College Board of Management to appoint a Member of Council to the Board.

It was agreed to appoint Councillor Macrae to the Kilmarnock College Board of Management.

#### **NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF IRVINE VALLEY LOCAL REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP**

- 6. There was submitted a report dated 17 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Development Services to request the nomination of Ward Councillors for the Irvine Valley Local Committee area to the Board of the Irvine Valley Regeneration Partnership.

It was agreed to nominate the Elected Members for Wards 16 to 20, within the Partnership's area to the Board of the Irvine Valley Local Regeneration Partnership.

#### **ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS 1997/98 AND DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 1997/98**

- 7. There was submitted a report dated 15 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Finance which (i) submitted the Abstract of Accounts 1997/98 and the Competitive Services Annual Report and Accounts for 1997/98 to Council; (ii) confirmed that these documents had been forwarded to the Controller of Audit by the due date; and (iii) sought approval of the draft Annual Report 1997/98.

It was agreed:

- (i) to approve the draft Annual Report 1997/98 and to remit to the Chief Executive to finalise the Annual Report by making any necessary adjustments to the narrative; and
- (ii) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

**STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO CONTRACTS (Item 10, Page 3508)**

8. There was submitted a report dated 9 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which presented for consideration and, subject to any amendment or modification, approval, draft Standing Orders on Contracts which were attached to the report.

It was agreed to approve and adopt the Standing Orders relating to contracts effective from 24 September 1998.

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEME 1997 -  
OUTCOME OF REVIEW OF SCHEME (Item 11, Page 3508)**

9. There was submitted a report dated 10 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on the outcome of the final formal consultation process on the review of the East Ayrshire Council Community Council Scheme 1997 and which sought authority to give public notice of the adopted Scheme in accordance with Part 1, Section 22 of the Local Government Etc (Scotland) Act 1994.

It was agreed:

- (i) to adopt the amendments to the East Ayrshire Council Community Council Scheme 1997 and boundary maps as agreed by Council on 18 June 1998 (which were displayed at the meeting) in terms of Part 1, Section 22 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1974;
- (ii) that the amended Scheme be sealed with the Common Seal of the Council; and
- (iii) that the Director of Support Services undertake the necessary statutory notification of the Adopted Scheme in terms of Part 1, Section 22 of the Local Government Etc (Scotland) Act 1994.

**THIRD STATUTORY REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
EAST AYRSHIRE (Item 4, Page 2990)**

10. There was submitted a report dated 16 September 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services on the progress of the Third Statutory Review of Electoral Arrangements for East Ayrshire and to provide details of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's recommendations to the Secretary of State for Scotland regarding the future electoral arrangements for East Ayrshire Council.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's report to the Secretary of State providing proposals for future electoral arrangements in the East Ayrshire Council area;
- (ii) to await confirmation of the Secretary of State's making of the appropriate Order after the elapse of the prescribed six week period; and

- (iii) that it be remitted to the Director of Support Services in consultation with the Electoral Registration Officer to complete the review of polling districts and polling places, based upon the Commission's final recommendations and report thereon in due course.

**SOCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

11. There was submitted a report dated 17 September 1998 (circulated) by the Chief Executive which submitted for approval the draft Expression of Interest (circulated with the report) to be used as the basis for the submission on behalf of the Council and its partners for East Ayrshire to gain Social Inclusion Partnership status.

It was agreed to approve the draft Expression of Interest as the basis for the Council's submission to the Scottish Office by 30 September 1998 subject to final textual amendments by the Chief Executive on the basis of advice from CoSLA and in consultation with the Scottish Office.

The meeting terminated at 1047 hrs.