

APPENDIX**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL****HOUSING CAPITAL SUB-COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY
28 AUGUST 1996 AT 1520 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL
HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Jimmy Kelly, Douglas Reid, Wilma Doyle and George Smith.

ATTENDING: Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; John Hillis, Director of Housing; Barbara Haughan, Director of Support Services; Chris McAleavey, Senior Depute Director of Housing (Operations); Alan McKnight, Depute Director of Housing (Policy and Strategy); Jim Maitland, Depute Director of Housing (Support and Technical); Tom Wilkie, Head of Contracting and Legal Services; Kate McVey, Head of Legal Services; Douglas Campbell, Head of Public Relations and Marketing; Robin Baker, Senior Accountant; Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer; Cameron Smith, Senior Liaison Officer (Contracting and Technical Services); and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

CHAIR: Councillor Jimmy Kelly, Chair.

APOLOGIES: Councillors John Knapp, Kim Nicoll and David Sneller.

**HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING GROUP:
MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

1. There were submitted and noted Minutes of the Housing Capital Programme Monitoring Group Meeting held on 27 June 1996 (circulated).

HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME (HRA) 1996/97: PROGRESS REPORTS

- 2.1 **CONSTRUCTION WORKS** - There was submitted a report dated 14 August 1996 (circulated) by the Head of Contracting and Technical Services advising of progress on construction works on housing capital projects during the current financial year.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that arrangements be made for the Members of the Sub-Committee to inspect the CCTV system being installed at Fraser Walk, New Farm Loch;
- (ii) that the Director of Housing submit a report to the next meeting of this Sub-Committee identifying the balance of expenditure on the current year's Housing Capital Programme which was outstanding and remained to be committed together with proposals as to how the balance might be utilised; and
- (iii) otherwise, that the terms of the report be noted.

- 2.2 EXPENDITURE** - Noted verbal report by the Senior Accountant on expenditure on housing capital projects during the current financial year.
- 2.3 CAPITAL RECEIPTS** - There was submitted and noted a report dated 26 August 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services giving an update on the position with regard to estimated housing capital receipts for the current financial year.

HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME: AWARD OF TENDERS

- 3.** There was submitted a report dated 15 August 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services providing details of tenders which had been accepted in respect of housing capital contracts.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that, in future, reports of this kind be submitted to the Sub-Committee at quarterly intervals;
- (ii) otherwise, that the terms of the report be noted.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIRS GRANTS (GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME)

- 4.1 APPLICATIONS AND EXPENDITURE** - There was submitted and noted a report dated 21 August 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Housing, advising of the level of applications for Improvement, Repairs and Community Care/Disabled Grants and of the expenditure approved on such grants up to 31 July 1996.
- 4.2 HOUSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1987: AMENDMENT TO PART XIII: SCOTTISH OFFICE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 19/96** - There was submitted and noted a report (circulated) by the Director of Housing on the terms and implications of Scottish Office Development Department Circular No. 19/96 which amended Part XIII of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 relative to the age limit to be applied in respect of houses which could be considered for improvement/repairs grants and advised of the Government's intention to introduce legislation to propose changes to the maximum approved expense limits for improvement/repairs grants.

The meeting terminated at 1600 hours.