

APPENDIX II

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

**EDUCATION (JOINT APPEALS AND BURSARIES) SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 1996
AT 1410 HRS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS,
LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Robert Taylor, Gordon Cree, Ronald Brailsford and David Fulton.

ATTENDING: David Mitchell, Principal Solicitor; and Julie Armstrong, Senior Administrative Officer.

CHAIR: Councillor Robert Taylor, Chair.

COMMITTEE PROCESS

1. There was submitted a report dated 12 September 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Support Services which outlined the interim arrangements for the Education (Joint Appeals and Bursaries) Sub-Committee procedures in respect of bursary appeals.

It was agreed to approve the interim arrangements as detailed in the report.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

2. The Sub-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 paragraph 4 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

BURSARY APPEALS

3. There were submitted pro forma reports dated September 1996 (circulated) by the Director of Education in respect of the undernoted, viz:-

3.1 APPEAL NO 1/96

It was agreed:

- (i) that in respect of the appeal against the rate of maintenance awarded, to continue consideration to the next meeting;
- (ii) that in respect of the course expenses for clothing, that an additional sum of £214 be awarded to bring the total amount to £289; and
- (iii) that in respect of travel expenses, to continue consideration to the next meeting in order to investigate available options.

3.2 APPEAL NO 2/96

It was agreed to continue this matter pending a response from the appellant regarding the re-assessment of the bursary.

3.3 APPEAL NO 3/96

Agreed that the grounds of the appeal had not been substantiated and the appeal not upheld.

FUTURE COMMITTEE PROCESS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

4. The Sub-Committee further agreed (i) that it be remitted to the Education Committee on 10 October 1996 to review the Sub-Committee's powers to deal with cases of severe financial hardship; and (ii) that a procedure in respect of dealing with bursary appeals at the Joint Appeals and Bursaries Sub-Committee be approved at a later date.

The meeting terminated at 1545 hrs.