

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 19 September 1995 at 2.00pm in the Kilmarnock and Loudoun District Council Offices, Civic Centre, Kilmarnock

PRESENT: Councillors J Kelly (Chair), J Carmichael, G Cree, T Farrell, D Fulton, J Knapp, D Macrae, R McDill, A McIntyre, K Nicoll, G Smith, J Smith and R Taylor.

ATTENDING: F Lees (for the Chief Executive), D McVicar, A Fairbairn; A McKnight (for the Director of Housing); and D Campbell (Head of Public Relations and Marketing).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors J Darnbrough, W Doyle, G McCredie, D Reid and D Sneller

1. MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE OF WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST 1995

The minutes of the Housing Committee of 9 August 1995 (issued) was submitted and when the Chair proposed an amendment in respect of page 1, Item 3, Committee Structure and Need for Sub-Committees, that the quorum for the Housing Committee be established at seven members, the Committee agreed to:

- (a) the amendment; and
- (b) note the minute.

2. MINUTE OF HOUSING CAPITAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 1995

The minute of the Housing Capital Sub-Committee of September 1995 (issued and annexed hereto) was submitted. The Chair proposed that Page 2, Item 4, Selection Criteria, should be amended to read "John Hillis gave a verbal report outlining that he would be producing, at a later date, a completely revised selection criteria for projects including the option for future programmes to be needs based to reflect technical assessments and the Committee noted the position."

The Committee approved the minute as amended.

3. ACCOUNTS COMMISSION - KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

There was submitted a report (issued) by the Director of Housing advising the Committee on proposed changes to the statutory Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for housing.

Having heard the Director of Housing's representative outline the report with particular reference to Section 3 which indicated that:

- (a) the requirement to publish staff costs per house for a defined range of housing management activities will mean that commercially sensitive information will be in the public domain. In the event that Housing

Management CCT is actually applied, this information could prove very useful to potential competitors;

it was agreed to:

- (i) recommend that the Director of Housing write to the Accounts Commission expressing the Housing Committee's concern about the proposed "Staff Costs Indicator"; and
- (ii) otherwise, note the contents of the report.

4. HOUSING ISSUES WORKING GROUPS

There was submitted a report (issued) by the Director of Housing to update members on the progress of the Housing Issues Working Groups.

The report made reference to:

- (a) a number of Issues Groups which had been set up to give consideration to the harmonisation of various services; and
- (b) the remit of the Group.

Having heard the Director of Housing's representative in explanation and in answer to members' questions it was agreed to note the contents of the report.

5. SCOTTISH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - HOUSING AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

There was submitted a report (issued) by the Director of Housing giving members information on the Inquiry by the Scottish Affairs Committee into Housing and Anti-social Behaviour.

Having heard the Director of Housing's representative in explanation and in answer to members' questions it was agreed to note the content of the report.