

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2000 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Stephanie Young, Brian Reeves, John Weir, Drew McIntyre, Alex Walsh, John Knapp, Robert McDill, Eric Jackson, George Smith, Julie Faulds, Eric Ross and Elaine Dinwoodie; Church Representatives John McHugh and Matthew Sullivan; and Teacher Representative Iain Harvey.

ATTENDING: John Mulgrew, Director of Educational and Social Services; Stephen Chorley, Director of Development Services; Kay Gilmour, Head of Community Support; Graham Short, Head of Schools; Allan MacDougall, Head of Resource Support; David Mitchell, Legal Manager; Robin Gourlay, Contracts Manager; Euan Couperwhite, Financial Services Manager (Educational and Social Services); Janie Allen, Principal Officer (Pre-Fives); Kenneth MacKinlay, Principal Quality Development Officer; Alex McPhee, Financial Services Manager; Graham Kerr, Public Relations; Jim Hazlett, Principal Officer; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Anne Jackson, Principal Community Education Officer and Anne Marie Carr, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Brian McNeil, Willie Coffey, Lilian MacLean, David Macrae, Ian Linton, Finlay MacLean and Provost Jimmy Boyd.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. The Chair welcomed Kay Gilmour, Head of Community Support and Allan MacDougall, Head of Resource Support and also Hilary Long the new Childcare Partnership Officer who started with the Council today. The Chair stated that Hilary joined East Ayrshire from Glasgow City Council and came with many years of experience in early education and childcare.

(i) Ochiltree Primary School, Woodstock School and Grange Academy

Congratulations were extended to Ochiltree Primary School, Woodstock School and Grange Academy who had been awarded the Motorola National Award for Excellence in Education for Work and Enterprise. The Chair confirmed that the Head Teachers had travelled to Edinburgh last week to receive their awards.

(iii) New Opportunities Fund for Out of School Learning

The Chair advised two special schools had been successful in their bid to the New Opportunities Fund for Out of School Learning. Park School in Kilmarnock had been granted £43,000 to develop an After School Club and Hillside School in Cumnock had secured £33,000 to implement a lunchtime programme of events. It was anticipated that the pupils would benefit immensely from these initiatives.

(iv) The Transitional Metal Challenge

It was reported two secondary schools had success recently in a competition organised by the University of Paisley "The Transitional Metal Challenge". 21 Schools from throughout the West of Scotland had participated, however the honours went to East Ayrshire - the competition was won by Grange Academy, with

Doon Academy finishing second. The Chair intimated his congratulations to both Schools!

(v) Scottish Ladies Golf Team

Congratulations were extended to Pamela Fegan an S6 pupil at Doon Academy who had been invited to attend the squad training for the Scottish Ladies Golf Team under 18. The Chair reported that Pamela had won her first Scottish Cap last summer and it was hoped that she would be adding to her International Caps.

(vi) Special Olympics United Kingdom Gold Championships

The Chair advised two students from Park School had been selected to represent the West of Scotland at the Special Olympics United Kingdom Gold Championships in Cardiff last weekend. He confirmed that both boys had recently participated in the Scottish Championships and had performed very well.

In addition, four pupils from the school had been selected to go to the Special Olympics in Cardiff next summer.

(vii) Peer Education Initiative

The Chair was delighted to report that the Peer Education Initiative based in Drongan had been awarded a highly commended certificate in recognition of their achievements at the recent Health Awards Scheme 2000 and that the group would attend the awards ceremony on 7 November 2000.

(viii) Kilmarnock Rugby Club

It was reported that 600 children from all over East Ayrshire had taken part in a rugby festival at Kilmarnock Rugby Club prior to the summer break. The event had been a great success with the support of the Scottish Rugby Development Officer, Kilmarnock College Students, Rowe and Tudhope Coaches and the teachers and pupils themselves and these festivals had now become regular events in the schools' sporting calendar.

(ix) Gargieston Primary School

Congratulations were extended to Gargieston Primary School who, not only had won the Scottish Schools Orienteering Championship recently, but had now been named the top school in Scotland for orienteering. The Chair reported that the school's success was down to the efforts and enthusiasm of Teacher Mair Harvey.

(x) Forum for Parents

The Chair reported that a very successful Forum for parents who have children with special educational needs had been held in the evening in Council Headquarters recently. Around 80 parents had attended this Forum which gave parents the opportunity to come together and discuss issues regarding the educational needs of their children.

(xi) Parents Open Day: Education on Display

The Chair hoped Members would take the opportunity to visit the Parents Open Day: Education on Display on Saturday 23 September 2000 within the Grand Hall and Pillared Hall, Kilmarnock. He confirmed that 50 schools and nurseries would be exhibiting a display of the exciting initiatives the pupils had been involved in.

EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE - MINUTES

2. There was submitted and approved as a correct record and in respect of any recommendations contained therein, the Minutes of the Education Sub-Committee of 5 September 2000 (circulated) as detailed in the Appendix to these Minutes.

BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - EDUCATION TO 28 JULY 2000 (PERIOD 4)

3. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 28 August 2000 (circulated) by the Directors of Finance and of Educational and Social Services which advised of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for Education Services for the period ended 28 July 2000 (Period 4).

BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - COMMUNITY EDUCATION STEWARDS - TRADING SERVICES TO 28 JULY 2000 (PERIOD 4)

4. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 28 August 2000 (circulated) by the Directors of Finance and of Educational and Social Services which advised of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Community Education Stewards - Trading Services for the period ended 28 July 2000 (Period 4).

Councillor McIntyre joined the meeting at this point.

VIREMENT - 2000/2001 REVENUE BUDGET INCLUDING THE ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING

5. There was submitted a report dated 30 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for the referral to the Policy and Resources Committee for the allocation of resources for new educational initiatives and virement of budgets in order to facilitate accurate monitoring of expenditure against budget.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the virement adjustment detailed in Section 3.2 of the report be approved and this matter be remitted to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

AWARDING OF TENDERS

6. There was submitted and noted a report dated 5 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Corporate Resources which provided, for information, details of tenders which had been awarded in respect of the undernoted Education Service contracts.

CONTRACT	SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTORS	AMOUNT
Disabled persons toilet alterations to various Schools.	Thompson (of Ayr) Construction, Ayr	£42,868.87
Auchinleck Academy - Refurbishment of Home Economic Classroom	East Ayrshire Council Building and Works Division, Kilmarnock	£45,837.92

CONTRACT	SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTORS	AMOUNT
Replacement of Asbestos ceilings at Block A, Grange Academy, Kilmarnock	Enviraz (Scotland) Ltd, Glasgow	£42,877.17
Demolition and Associated Rehabilitation of the Gym Hall at Crosshouse Primary School, Crosshouse	Burnthills Demolition, Johnstone	£35,110.00

ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CHILDCARE STRATEGY 2000-2002

7. There was submitted a report dated 15 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the additional allocation of funds to the Childcare Strategy for 2000-2002 and which sought approval to refer additional staffing requirements to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to remit the establishment of an SVQ Co-ordinator post to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION - COMMISSIONING OF PLACES (Item 4, Page 4515)

8. There was submitted a report dated 15 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought agreement to remove the criteria applied to the commissioning of pre-school education places in the private and voluntary sector partner providers for pre-school education.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to remove the criteria applied to the commissioning of places for pre-school children with partner providers of pre-school education; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

IMPROVING OUR SCHOOLS: RESPONSES TO THE RIDDELL REPORT

9. There was submitted a report dated 4 July 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the contents of the document "Improving Our Schools: Responses to the Riddell Report".

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Educational and Social Services write to the Scottish Executive seeking reassurance that the response to the Riddell Report would be built into the National Improvement Framework in a realistic and manageable way; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

NATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT (Item 6, Page 1066)

10. There was submitted a report dated 23 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for a response to the national consultation on National Priorities for Improvement.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the response at Annex A of the report as being the submission of East Ayrshire Council to the consultation on National Priorities for Improvement; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**THE STANDARDS IN SCOTLAND'S SCHOOLS ETC (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000
(Item 14, Page 650)**

11. There was submitted a report dated 7 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for an Action Plan to ensure that the terms of the Standards in Scotland's Schools Etc (Scotland) Act 2000 were addressed within the Department of Educational and Social Services.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the establishment of a Working Group to supervise the implementation of the Standards in Scotland's Schools Etc (Scotland) Act 2000;
- (ii) to approve the Action Plan appended to the report as a framework for implementation;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services submit reports to the Education Committee as required to address specific aspects of implementation; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**RAISING EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - SUMMER SCHOOLS IN EAST
AYRSHIRE (Item 5, Page 1066)**

12. There was submitted and noted a report dated 4 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the success of the Summer School Programme in East Ayrshire.

**MONITORING PROCEDURE FOR INDEPENDENT DAY AND RESIDENTIAL
SCHOOLS**

13. There was submitted a report dated 5 July 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for the monitoring procedures for independent day and residential schools used by East Ayrshire Council for pupils with social and emotional difficulties and pupils with recorded special educational needs.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the monitoring procedure for independent day and residential schools; and
- (ii) that the report be remitted, for information, to the Community Services Committee.

QUALITY MANAGEMENT IN EDUCATION

14. There was submitted a report dated 25 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the introduction of a National Evaluation Framework for the evaluation of educational authorities and which sought approval for the use of this framework within arrangements for Best Value.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the use of the Quality Management in Education set of performance indicators be approved;
- (ii) to note the potential for the use of Quality Management in Education system within the Council's arrangements for Best Value, remitting this report for consideration by the Best Value Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee;
- (iii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services make the appropriate arrangements to hold a Seminar for all Elected Members regarding this issue; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

NATIONAL GAELIC RESOURCE CENTRE

- 15.** There was submitted a report dated 25 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for participation in the activities of the National Gaelic Resource Centre.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve East Ayrshire Council's participation in the National Gaelic Resource Centre;
- (ii) to remit to the Council any decisions relating to Elected Member representation on the Board of Directors of the National Gaelic Resource Centre; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

HUNDRED LANGUAGES OF CHILDREN

- 16.** There was submitted and noted a report dated 15 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the Hundred Languages of Children Exhibition and other events which involved staff and young children from East Ayrshire Schools and Nurseries and Nurseries in the private and voluntary sector.

YOUNG FIREFIGHTER SCHEME

- 17.** There was submitted a report dated 23 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for schools to participate in and promote the Young Firefighter Scheme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Young Firefighter Scheme be promoted through Schools in East Ayrshire;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services write to the Strathclyde Firemaster to indicate the Council's support for the Young Firefighter Scheme; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

WORKING TOGETHER TO STRENGTHEN SERVICES

- 18.** There was submitted a report dated 9 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of initial arrangements for the new

Department of Educational and Social Services and which invited consideration of the proposed key targets for the new Department in its first year of operation.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the targets for action for the new Department of Educational and Social Services be approved;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services and Heads of Service in the Department circulate the information detailed in the report widely; and
- (iii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services present progress reports on achieving targets for action to appropriate Committees; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

Councillor McIntyre rejoined the meeting during discussion of the above item.

“IT’S A CRIMINAL WASTE: STOP YOUTH CRIME NOW”

- 19.** There was submitted a report dated 28 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the outcome of the review into youth crime, of the Scottish Executive’s response to the recommendations contained in the report, the intended action to be taken by the Educational and Social Services Department and which sought approval to refer additional staff recommendations to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the action being proposed in response to the recommendations of the Advisory Group as detailed in the report;
- (ii) to refer the staffing proposals in Section 5 of the report to the Personnel and Property Sub-Committee for further consideration; and
- (iii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services report back to the Education Committee on progress.

FLOWERBANK COMMUNITY NURSERY

- 20.** There was submitted and noted a report dated 8 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the Action Plan for Flowerbank Nursery arising from a reported incident in May 2000.

COMMUNITY LEARNING PLANS - PROGRESS REPORT ON PILOT INITIATIVE (Item 2, Page 1065)

- 21.** There was submitted a report dated 8 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised the Committee of the progress that had been made in relation to developing pilot Community Learning Plans in three areas of the Council.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to remit the report to appropriate Local Committees;
- (ii) that a report be submitted at a future date by the Director of Educational and Social Services which considered proposals to evaluate and extend the pilot initiative; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

- 22.** There was submitted a joint report dated 14 September 2000 (revised and circulated) by the Directors of Development Services and of Educational and Social Services on funding allocated by the Scottish Executive Development Department (SEDD) for safer routes to school and which recommended projects for implementation in the current year and further survey work to prepare project proposals for future years.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note that East Ayrshire Council had been allocated £120,000 for Safer Routes to Schools;
- (ii) to approve for implementation in the current financial year the recommended schemes set out in Annex 1 of the report;
- (iii) to approve the implementation of an in-depth study of the three areas identified in paragraph 3.7 of the report; and
- (iv) to note that the report would also be submitted to the Development Services Committee for consideration.

CONSULTATION DOCUMENT: PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF BOTH GALSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL AND GALSTON NURSERY SCHOOL (Item 5, Page 4164)

- 23.** There was submitted a report dated 14 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services regarding the proposed replacement of Galston Primary School and Galston Nursery School.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Knapp moved:-

- (i) that the Education Committee adopt for the purpose of consultation the proposals detailed in the report as Option A and Option B, viz:-
 - Option A:
It is proposed that the replacement of both Galston Primary School and Galston Nursery School be built as an extension to the refurbished main building of the present Galston Primary School;
 - Option B:
It is proposed that the replacement of both Galston Primary School and Galston Nursery School be built on the playingfield site at Western Road;
- (ii) that the report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (iii) that all interested parties including the relevant School Board be asked to make written representation on the proposals to John Mulgrew, Director of Educational and Social Services, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock KA3 7BU no later than 30 October 2000; and
- (iv) that the Director of Educational and Social Services prepare a report on the result of the consultative process for consideration at a future meeting of the Education Committee.

Councillor Weir, seconded by Councillor McDill moved as an amendment that the Committee continue consideration of the report as the Local Members were not present at the meeting.

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by 10 votes to 3.

It was also agreed that the Director of Educational and Social Services make the necessary arrangements for a site visit to the proposed sites detailed in the report should any Members of the Education Committee express a wish to do so.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

24. 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 Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

DEVELOPMENT OF A CONTRACT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

25. There was submitted a report dated 31 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for the On-Site Services Business Unit to commission the development of an Integrated Contract Management Information System.

It was agreed to approve the design and implementation of further software development for the Integrated Contract Management System which would follow a tender process in conjunction with the IT Department and the Director of Corporate Resources.

BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT - ON-SITE SERVICES UNIT TO 28 JULY 2000 (PERIOD 4)

26. There was submitted and noted a joint report dated 7 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Finance and the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the Site Services Business Unit for the period ended 28 July 2000 (Period 4).

The meeting terminated at 1105 hours.

APPENDIX I

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2000 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Brian Reeves, Willie Coffey, Lilian MacLean, David Macrae, John Knapp, Julie Faulds, Provost Jimmy Boyd, Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie and Iain Harvey, Teacher Representative.

ATTENDING: John Mulgrew, Director of Educational and Social Services; Robin Gourlay, Contracts Manager; Kenneth McKinlay, Principal Quality Development Officer; Alex Fraser, Senior Administrative Officer; Robert Grant, Quality Development Officer; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager; Christine Baillie, Trainee Administrative Officer and Marilyn Miller, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Iain Linton and Finlay MacLean.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. The Chair welcomed Councillor Lilian MacLean, to her first meeting of the Education Sub-Committee.

SECONDARY SCHOOL CATERING - PILOT SCHEME UPDATE

2. There was submitted a report dated 17 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of progress made in relation to the ongoing pilot scheme on Secondary School Catering.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to continue to support the development of the Metro concept, with a view to extending the Metro brand to Secondary Schools, as funding allows, and future development proposals were found acceptable to schools; and
- (ii) that the operation of the Metro Restaurant at Cumnock Academy continue to be monitored to avoid the build-up of queues and that Local Members be kept informed of progress.

BILINGUAL EDUCATION IN SCOTLAND TODAY

3. There was submitted a report dated 7 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the forthcoming conference on Bilingual and Immersion Education to be held in East Ayrshire in this schools session.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that East Ayrshire Council host the conference on Bilingual Education; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND RECORDING TECHNOLOGY STREETSMART INITIATIVE

4. There was submitted a report dated 21 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of a proposal to develop a pilot youth workshop on "Forming a Band" to raise awareness of the potential impact of the music business in Ayrshire as part of the SMART (School of Music and Recording Technology) project.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve participation in the StreetSMART Initiative;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services report back to the Sub-Committee in due course; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

SCOTTISH ARTS COUNCIL NATIONAL LOTTERY AWARD

5. There was submitted a report dated 22 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which informed of the Department's recent award from the Scottish Arts Council National Lottery within the Children and Young People Scheme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note this innovative project targeting all educational establishments; and
- (ii) that the Sub-Committee be kept informed of future developments.

ELECTRONIC MAIL FOR ALL TEACHERS AND SCHOOL STUDENTS IN EAST AYRSHIRE

6. There was submitted and noted a report dated 21 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of a high profile conference to be held in the Grand Hall on Wednesday 20 September 2000. The conference would launch East Ayrshire Schools access to electronic mail (e-mail) for all students and teachers.

TRANSPORT FACILITIES FOR SCHOOL SESSION 2000/2001 FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL AND/OR MEDICAL NEEDS

7. There was submitted a report dated 31 July 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the current position regarding contracts to transport children with special and/or medical needs to special, mainstream and nursery schools and to Psychological Services and the Language Unit.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the arrangements which had been made to award 100 contracts to transport 331 children with special educational and/or medical problems to educational establishments at a total cost of £537,472.00; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the report.

ANTI-VANDALISM INITIATIVE

8. There was submitted a report dated 4 July 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Service which sought agreement for a proposal for a scheme to reduce vandalism and litter.

It was reported that Kilmarnock and Loudoun Crime Prevention Panel had obtained a small grant to promote a positive anti-litter and vandalism project involving Primary 7 pupils in local schools. The initiative, known as "School Watch 7" would be progressed through the Community Involvement Branch of Strathclyde Police.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that schools participate in "School Watch 7";
- (ii) to note that figures on the actual cost of vandalism throughout East Ayrshire would be reported to a future meeting; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EUROPEAN ACTIVITIES IN EAST AYRSHIRE SCHOOLS

9. There was submitted a report dated 28 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of a range of developments in European Activities comprising the award of European Funding through the Socrates Comenius Programme to Annanhill Primary School and Auchinleck Academy and their European partners and the establishment at Grange Academy of a European Enterprise Education Centre.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the initiative outlined in the report;
- (ii) that the Director of Educational and Social Services report back to the Sub-Committee in due course; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DRUGS EDUCATION IN EAST AYRSHIRE SCHOOLS

10. There was submitted and noted a report dated 19 September 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the progress of drugs education in schools in East Ayrshire.

HEARTSTART

11. There was submitted a report dated 7 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which sought approval for the participation of East Ayrshire Schools in the Heartstart Initiative which was an initiative co-ordinated by the British Heart Foundation to promote and develop Emergency Life Support (ELS) training.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the participation of East Ayrshire Schools in the Heartstart Scheme;
- (ii) that Heartstart be actively promoted within Schools; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

AYRSHIRE CAREERS PARTNERSHIP LTD - NOMINATION TO BOARD

12. There was submitted a report dated 30 August 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which requested confirmation of a nomination for a vacant Director's post on the Ayrshire Careers Partnership Ltd.

It was agreed to appoint Fred Wildridge, Head Teacher of Doon Academy as a Director from East Ayrshire to serve on the Ayrshire Careers Partnership Board.

The meeting terminated at 1045 hours.