

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20 JULY 1999 AT 0900 HOURS IN  
THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,  
KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Drew McIntyre, Daniel Coffey, Harry Wilson and Jimmy Kelly.

**ATTENDING:** Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive; Kate McVey, Solicitor to the Council; and James Lally, Senior Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Douglas Reid, Eric Jackson and Provost Jimmy Boyd.

**CHAIR:** Councillor McIntyre, Chair.

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

1. 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 the Paragraph of Schedule 7A of the Act as shown against each item.

**PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF SITE AT DUNDONALD ROAD, KILMARNOCK (PARA 9)**

2. There was submitted a report dated 19 July 1999 (circulated) by the Solicitor to the Council advising of the outcome of the recent marketing of the site at Dundonald Road, Kilmarnock, and seeking authority (i) to dispose of the site at Dundonald Road, Kilmarnock to Wimpey Homes (Holdings) Ltd; (ii) to make a capital payment of £450,000 from the proceeds of the sale to East Ayrshire Housing Partnership, subject to the consent of the Scottish Office; and (iii) in the event of the sale to Wimpey Homes not proceeding to conclusion, to authorise acceptance of the other offer by Wilcon Homes which failing, the offer by Stuart Milne Group Ltd, as being the next best offers.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Solicitor to the Council be instructed to accept the offer from Wimpey Homes (Holdings) Ltd, subject to the conditions as detailed in Appendix II of the report;
- (ii) that a net payment of £450,000 be remitted to East Ayrshire Housing Partnership following settlement of the conveyancing transaction and subject to the consent of the Scottish Office; and
- (iii) that in the event of the transaction not proceeding, the Solicitor to the Council be instructed to accept the offer from Wilcon Homes (Scotland) Ltd, which failing, Stuart Milne Group Ltd, again subject to the conditions detailed in Appendix II of the report.

**SECONDMENT OF ACCOUNTS COMMISSION SENIOR MANAGER TO THE COUNCIL (PARA 1)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 15 July 1999 (circulated) by the Chief Executive advising of an opportunity which had arisen for an External Audit Senior Manager to be seconded to the Council, and seeking approval to proceed to finalise the secondment.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the secondment of an External Audit Senior Manager to the Council up to 31 March 2000 in the first instance;
- (ii) to note the areas of work in which the secondee would be envisaged to assist;
- (iii) to authorise the Chief Executive to formalise the secondment on the basis and at the cost, detailed within the report; and
- (iv) otherwise to note the content of the report.

The meeting terminated at 0920 hours.