

AGENDA



POLICY

- (1) Review of Business Focus (pages 1-3)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on proposed changes to "Business Focus" and inviting comments relative to the review of the publication (copy herewith)

- (2) Lanarkshire On-Line Business Directory - Update (pages 4-6)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment updating progress made with the Lanarkshire On-Line Business Directory Website and seeking approval for the Council to contribute to the future development of the Directory in partnership with South Lanarkshire Council and Scottish Enterprise Lanarkshire (copy herewith)

OPERATIONAL

- (3) European Social Fund Applications - ESF Objective 3 (pages 7-9)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment seeking approval for the submission of applications to the European Social Fund Objective 3 Programme for various economic development support measures (copy herewith)

- (4) Petersburn Craigneuk Initiative - Funding 2000-2001 (pages 10-11)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment advising of the outcome of the recent evaluation of the Petersburn Craigneuk Initiative and seeking approval to continue funding the Initiative for the financial year 2000-2001 (copy herewith)

- (5) Tender for Trade/Meet the Buyer Event (pages 12-16)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment advising the Committee of the proposed "Tender for Trade" business event, detailing the timetable, structure, aims and objectives of the project and seeking approval for expenditure required in meeting costs relative to organising and staging the event (copy herewith)

- (6) Lanarkshire Key Fund (pages 17-41)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment updating Members on the management and operational arrangements relating to the implementation of the Lanarkshire Key Fund and submitting copies of the Board Meetings held on 11 and 17 May, 13 and 21 June and 11 July 2000 (copies herewith)

FINANCIAL

- (7) Cumbernauld College – Learning Centre for the Northern Corridor (pages 42-43)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment updating progress on discussions to provide training and employment initiatives in the Northern Corridor area and requesting approval of a grant of £10,000 to Cumbernauld College to support the establishment of a Learning Centre in the area (copy herewith)
(Appendix to follow)

- (8) Department of Planning and Environment - Economic Development - Budget Monitoring Report (pages 44-45)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the financial position of the Economic Development Section of the Department of Planning and Environment (copy herewith)
- (9) Department of Planning and Environment - Economic Development - Budget Outturn 1999/2000 (pages 46-48)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment providing comparative information with regard to budget estimates and actual expenditure/income for the period to 31 March 2000 (copy herewith)

STAFFING

- (10) Support Worker (Local Training Support Centres) - Temporary Extension of Contract (pages 49-50)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment seeking approval for a further temporary extension of the contract of the Support Worker (Local Training Support Centres) (copy herewith)

FOR INFORMATION

- (11) Strategic Inward Investment in Lanarkshire (pages 51-53)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment advising of the findings of a study commission by Locate in Lanarkshire Partnership into Inward Investment activity in Lanarkshire (copy herewith)
- (12) Planning and Environment Department - Communications - Progress (pages 54-56)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment updating Members on the progress of the Communications Group set up to review internal and external communications within the Department (copy herewith)
- (13) Training Assistance Grant - Programme Monitoring 1999-2000 (pages 57-63)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment detailing results of an evaluation questionnaire issued to all applicants who had completed their training by 5 June 2000 and detailing results of a monitoring exercise between North Lanarkshire Council and the Employment Service outlining the current position with regard to beneficiaries of the Programme as at 30 June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (14) Lanarkshire Technology and Innovation Centre (pages 64-65)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment updating the Committee on the activity of the Lanarkshire Technology and Innovation Centre during the financial year 1999-2000 and the operating plan for 2000-2001 (copy herewith)

- (15) Redundancy Support Provision (pages 66-83)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the work undertaken by Council Departments in the provision of redundancy support to affected workforces throughout North Lanarkshire and providing as appendices to the report copies of Partnership Action for Continuing Employment Lanarkshire Local Response Team Protocol Agreement and Lanarkshire Local Contingency Plan (copies herewith)
- (16) North Lanarkshire Business Directory 2000 (pages 84-85)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on progress regarding the publication of the North Lanarkshire Business Directory 2000 (copy herewith)
- (17) Women's Placement Programme (pages 86-90)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment advising Members on the operation of the Women's Placement Programme for the period February to June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (18) Grant Support for CCTV - 2000-2001
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the outcome of a bid for funding support from the Chief Constable's Fund in respect of CCTV schemes in North Lanarkshire (copy to follow)
- (19) International Trade Update 1999-2000 (pages 91-94)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment informing the Committee of the uptake by North Lanarkshire Companies of the West of Scotland Trade Partnership International Trade Programme for the year 1999-2000 (copy herewith).
- (20) Quarterly Reports - Period 1 April - 30 June 2000
- (a) Environmental Task Force (pages 95-100)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the progress for the period 1 April-30 June 2000 with regard to the implementation of the Environmental Task Force in Lanarkshire (copy herewith)
- (b) Boost for Business Start-Up (pages 101-103)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the progress of the Boost for Business Start-Up programme during the period 1 April-30 June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (c) Youth Employment and Training Initiative 2000 (pages 104-105)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the progress of Youth Employment and Training Initiative (YETI) for the period 1 April-30 June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (d) International Trade Update (pages 106-108)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the level of participation in the Council's International Trade Programme by North Lanarkshire Companies during the period from 1 April-30 June 2000 (copy herewith)

- (e) Training Assistance Grant (pages 109-110)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment on the operation of the Training Assistance Grant (TAG) Scheme for the period 1 April-30 June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (21) Remit from Planning and Environment Committee of 16 August 2000 – Department of Planning and Environment Performance Review (pages 111-139)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment concerning service performance and information for the year 2000/2001 quarter 1, 1 April to 30 June 2000 (copy herewith)
- (22) Cumbernauld Town Centre – Environmental Enhancement Programme (pages 140-145)
Submit report by Director of Planning and Environment concerning progress with regard to the implementation of the Cumbernauld Town Centre Environmental Enhancement Programme (copy herewith)
- (23) Remit from Planning and Environment Committee of 21 June 2000 - Best Value (Performance Management) Framework Reporting Schedule 2000-2001 (pages 146-149)
Submit Minute excerpt and report by Director of Planning and Environment on the Department's proposed reporting schedule which will be reported annually to Members of the Planning and Environment Committee (copies herewith)
- (24) Remit from Personnel Services Committee held on 15 June 2000 - Absence Management Statistics - January to March 2000 (pages 150-159)
Submit Minute excerpt and report by Head of Personnel Services providing statistics for quarter four of the financial year 1999/2000 in terms of the Council's Absence Management Policy Monitoring Procedures (copies herewith)