

REPORT

To: AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE		Subject: INTERNET: COUNCIL AGENDAS, REPORTS AND MINUTES
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION		
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1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of the progress, to date, in relation to the publication on the Internet of North Lanarkshire Council agendas, reports and minutes.

2. Background

The General Purposes Committee, at its meeting on 22 November 2000, approved the publication on the Intranet and Internet of, not only Council minutes but, also, Council and Committee agendas and reports in line with the Council's developing agenda on modernisation.

3. Current Position

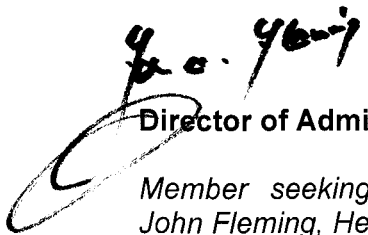
3.1. The MARS (Minutes, Agenda, Reports System) has now been successfully piloted on the Council's Intranet and is currently still in course of adaptation for publication on the Internet. The majority of the difficulties encountered by the Council's contractor during the adaptation works have now been resolved. However, a further serious difficulty has been discovered which requires to be urgently addressed. Whenever this work is completed the system will go live on the Internet. Hopefully this will be in early June.

3.2. Once the system goes live on the Internet, all North Lanarkshire Council minutes, agendas and public reports from August 2001 to date will be available for viewing.

3.3. Work is also currently being undertaken to publish earlier North Lanarkshire minutes, agendas and reports.

4. Recommendation

The Committee is asked to note the position.

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