

## **AGENDA**

### **PRESENTATION**

- (1) Scottish Football Association Partnership  
Hear presentation by Mr. Jim Sinclair, Development Officer, Scottish Football Association on partnership working with North Lanarkshire

### **MINUTES**

- (2) Minutes of meeting of the Education (Resources) Sub-Committee (pages 1-6)  
Submit Minute of meeting of the Education (Resources) Sub-Committee to be held on 17 May 2001 for approval (copy herewith)

### **POLICY**

- (3) Sex Education in Scottish Schools (pages 7-11)  
Submit report by Director of Education (1) providing information on a range of documents published by the Scottish Executive on sex education, and (2) proposing (a) that the national guidelines on sex education be endorsed, and (b) that a Working Group be established to review and offer advice to schools on appropriate material for inclusion in sex education programmes (copy report herewith; copy documents published by Scottish Executive available in Members' Library)

### **MONITORING**

- (4) Revenue Estimates 2000/2001 - Department of Education (pages 12-25)  
Submit report by Director of Education advising of the current departmental spending levels for the period from 1 April 2000 to 31 March 2001 (copy herewith)
  
- (5) Absence Management Statistics (pages 26-35)  
In terms of remit from the former Personnel Services Committee held on 4 April 2001, submit report by Head of Personnel Services providing absence management statistics together with a commentary detailing the breakdown of the figures within the Departments of the Council for the period from October to December 2000 (copy herewith)

### **OPERATIONAL**

- (6) Social Inclusion Partnerships - Update (pages 36-57)  
In terms of remit from the former Social Inclusion Committee held on 29 March 2001, submit report by Chief Executive (1) providing an update on activity in relation to Motherwell North, South Coatbridge and North Lanarkshire Social Inclusion Partnerships, and (2) seeking approval, in particular, for recommendations by the South Coatbridge Social Inclusion Partnership for projects in the two new community schools in Coatbridge (copy herewith)

- (7) Performance Management and Planning Audit of Education Services 2000/2001 (pages 58-88)  
Submit report by Director of Education (1) advising of the outcome of the Performance Management Planning Audit of Education Services for 2000/2001 by Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers, Auditors, with regard to the progress made in the implementation of the Best Value framework; (2) containing an Executive Summary of the Audit Report, and (3) seeking approval for the Audit Action Plan set out in the Appendix to the report (copy report herewith; copy of Audit Report available in Members' Library)
- (8) Development of Modern Languages in North Lanarkshire (pages 89-93)  
Submit report by Director of Education (1) advising of the key elements of a Report by the Action Group for Languages entitled "Citizens of a Multicultural World", and (2) seeking approval of an Action Plan, in light of the recommendations contained in the Action Group's Report, for the development of modern languages in North Lanarkshire (copy herewith)
- (9) Managing Challenging Behaviour (pages 94-101)  
Submit report by Director of Education (1) advising of the progress being made in relation to alternatives to exclusion from school, and (2) seeking approval for the establishment of a Working Group on school discipline (copy herewith)
- (10) Education for Citizenship in Scotland - Consultation by Learning and Teaching Scotland (pages 102-114)  
Submit report by Director of Education (1) advising of a consultation paper which has been received from Learning and Teaching Scotland entitled "Education for Citizenship", and (2) seeking homologation of the response submitted within the timescale for comments (copy report herewith; copy consultation paper available in Members' Library)

## **CONTRACTS**

- (11) Coatbridge High School - External Repair Works (pages 115-117)  
Report by Director of Housing and Property Services advising of tenders received and being progressed by the Director of Administration in terms of delegated powers and submitted for information (copy herewith)
- (12) Cathedral Primary School, Motherwell - Classroom Extension (pages 118-120)  
Report by Director of Housing and Property Services advising of tenders received and being progressed by the Director of Administration in terms of delegated powers and submitted for information (copy herewith)

## **STAFFING**

- (13) Visual Impairment Network Team - Post of Mobility Officer (pages 121-124)  
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval for the creation of a post of Mobility Officer for placement in the Visual Impairment Network Team located in Knowetop Primary School, Motherwell (copy herewith)

**CONFERENCES ETC.**

- (14) Better Education, Better Futures: Research, Practice and the Views of Young People in Public Care  
Note invitation from Barnardo's Scotland to attend a seminar held in Edinburgh on 1 May 2001
  
- (15) Supporting Children and Young People in Schools  
Note invitation from Children in Scotland to attend a conference held in Dundee on 11 May 2001
  
- (16) Transforming Secondary Education  
Consider invitation from QMW Public Policy Seminars to attend a seminar to be held in London on 15 May 2001
  
- (17) Educating the Whole Child  
Consider invitation from the University of Strathclyde to attend a conference to be held in Glasgow on 4 June 2001
  
- (18) New Challenges - Old Solutions: The Benefit of Older Workers for the Scottish Economy  
Consider invitation from Scottish Enterprise and Strathclyde University to attend a conference to be held in Glasgow on 11 June 2001
  
- (19) Comhdeil 2001  
Consider invitation from Comunn na Gaidhlig to attend a conference to be held in Edinburgh on 12 June 2001
  
- (20) Tackling the School Run: New Initiatives for the Journey to School  
Consider invitation from the Robert Gordon University to attend a conference to be held in London on 18 June 2001