

<b>To: HOUSING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Subject: ANTI-SOCIAL TASK FORCE  SCHEME OF DELEGATION</b>
<b>From: DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND PROPERTY SERVICES</b>		
<b>Date: 3 October, 2001</b>	<b>Ref: JL/ASTF</b>	

**1. Introduction.**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek authority to amend the Council's Scheme of Delegation to allow the Principal Investigator to sign notices under Section 47 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.

**2. Background.**

- 2.1 The Council's Anti-Social Task Force was established in January 2001 to deal with serious cases of anti-social behaviour throughout the Council's area.

**3. Considerations.**

- 3.1 The Principal Investigator manages the Task Force and has authority, in conjunction with the Senior Solicitor, to raise actions in respect of Anti-Social Behaviour Orders and can issue warnings, etc., to tenants and others in respect of unacceptable conduct, causing or likely to cause nuisance or annoyance to other members of the community.
- 3.2 Authority to serve Notices of Proceedings for Recovery of Possession under the terms of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 requires formal amendment to the Council's Scheme of Delegation and this was not sought at the time the Task Force was established.
- 3.3 This omission causes administrative difficulties within the Department and it is suggested that this can be overcome by amending the Scheme of Delegation accordingly.

**4. Corporate Considerations.**

- 4.1 The Director of Administration has been consulted and has no objection to the proposed amendment.

**5. Recommendation**

- 5.1 It is recommended that committee approve amendment to the Council's Scheme of Delegation to include the Principal Investigator [Anti-Social Task Force] in the list of Officers authorised to execute notices under Section 47 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.

**6. Access to Information**

6.1 Background papers are available in the Housing and Property Services Department.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom McKenzie', written in a cursive style.

*Thomas McKenzie*  
*Director of Housing and Property Services*