

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HOUSING COMMITTEE OF
28 JANUARY 1998

RE-PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES AT 9C AND 10C PARKHEAD LANE, AIRDRIE

23. There was submitted a report dated 15 January 1998 by the Director of Housing in respect of a formal offer to buy back flatted properties at 9C and 10C Parkhead Lane, Airdrie (1) outlining the background to and the need for the re-purchase of the properties; (2) detailing the current position in which the owners of the properties had refused the offer of 50% grant to enable the properties to be included in the re-roofing and insulation work contract of adjacent properties, and (3) intimating that offers made to the owners would be on the basis that the Council would only re-purchase if both houses could be bought back.

Decided: that offers be made to the owners of the properties at 9C and 10C Parkhead Lane, Airdrie, to buy back the properties at sale price plus inflation and legal expenses.

REPORT

To : HOUSING COMMITTEE		Subject : RE-PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES AT 9C AND 10C PARKHEAD LANE, AIRDRIE
From : DIRECTOR OF HOUSING		
Date : 15 JANUARY 1998	Ref : GW/PLM/LV/5	

1. **Introduction**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask the Committee to approve a formal offer to buy back the flatted properties at 9C and 10C Parkhead Lane, Airdrie.

2. **Background**

- 2.1 The council is carrying out a major refurbishment project at Chapelside, Airdrie, involving the replacement of a flat roof to pitched roof and external insulation cladding to four storey system built Mitchell Camus blocks.
- 2.2 The block containing the properties at 9C and 10C Parkhead Lane, was scheduled to be completed this financial year, but has been removed from the contract due to owner/occupiers problems.

3. **Current Position**

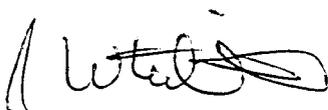
- 3.1 The Owners of these properties have been offered a 50% grant to encourage them to participate in this project, but are unable to accept the offer,
- 3.2 The block has been experiencing severe water penetration problems for several years and considerable sums of money have been spent keeping the block wind and water tight.
- 3.3 The re-roofing and external cladding works cannot proceed without the consent of the owner/occupiers.
- 3.4 Offers made to the owners would be on the basis that the Council would only repurchase if both houses could be brought back since repurchase of only one house would not achieve the councils objective which is to upgrade the block.

4. **Recommendation**

- 4.1 The Committee are asked to agree that offers be made to the owners of the properties at 9C and 10C Parkhead Lane, Airdrie, to buy back the properties at sale price plus inflation and legal expenses.

5. **Background Information**

- 5.1 Available from the Housing Department.



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Director of Housing