

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL**

**REPORT**

TO: Social Work Committee	Subject:  Administrative support to Child Care, Community Care and Criminal Justice
FROM: J Dickie, Director of Social Work	
DATE OF COMMITTEE: January 25th 2001	
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**1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To seek approval to create three permanent administrative posts at Grade AP1 within the Social Work Headquarter Sections of Child Care, Community Care and Criminal Justice.

**2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Social Work Department has been required to assume new and additional responsibilities in a number of areas of service. This has resulted in additional workload for the above sections and a need for additional administrative staff.

- 2.2 Additional responsibilities have arisen as a result of :

- Increased levels of reporting to the Scottish Executive on activity and performance.
- Increased levels of reporting of management information.
- Developments in services associated with the Youth Crime Review.
- Developments in services associated with the modernising of Community Care and resource transfer to Social Work.
- Developments in services associated with the management of high risk offenders.
- The implementation of the Social Work Information System (SWIS 2000)
- Support to Officer / Member groups.
- Increased inter agency working and support to inter agency strategy groups.
- Increased involvement of professional staff in national fora.

**3 PROPOSALS**

- 3.1 It is proposed to create an additional post at AP1 grade in each of the three sections to manage and coordinate the increased activity associated with the developments noted

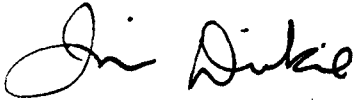
in Section 2.2.

#### **4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The costs associated with these posts can be met from the additional grant provided to North Lanarkshire Council, by the Scottish Executive, in relation to the Youth Crime Review, 100% funding for Criminal Justice Services, and Modernising Community Care.

#### **5 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 5.1 The Committee is asked to approve the creation of these three posts.



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**December 27th 2000**

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