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9th December 2016

Dear Councillor

## **SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the South Ayrshire Council to be held in **The County Hall, County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr, on Thursday, 15th December 2016 at 10.00 a.m.** for the purpose of considering the undernoted business.

Yours sincerely

**VALERIE ANDREWS**  
Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation

### **B U S I N E S S**

1. Provost.
2. Sederunt.
3. Declarations of Interest.
4. Minutes of meetings of the Council and Panels.

(a) Minutes of previous meetings.

Submit for approval as correct records and authorise to be signed.

- (i) South Ayrshire Council of 6th October 2016 ([copy herewith](#)).

(b) Minutes of Panels.

The minutes (copies previously issued) of the undernoted meetings are for noting:-

- (i) Appeals Panel of 16th August and 27th September 2016.
- (ii) Audit and Governance Panel of 14th and 28th September 2016.
- (iii) Chief Officers' Appointments/Appraisal Panel of 3rd May 2016.
- (iv) Leadership Panel of 21st September and 1st November 2016.
- (v) Local Review Body of 13th September, 4th October and 2nd November 2016.

- (vi) Partnerships Panel of 13th September 2016.
  - (vii) Public Processes Panel of 21st June and 29th September 2016.
  - (viii) Regulatory Panel – Planning of 8th September and 5th October 2016.
  - (ix) Regulatory Panel – Licensing of 22nd September and 3rd November 2016.
  - (x) Service and Performance Panel of 27th September 2016.
  - (xi) Ayrshire Shared Services of 17th June 2016.
5. Progress Against the Council Plan During 2016/17 – Submit report by Head of Policy and Performance ([copy herewith](#)).
  6. Pre-2017 Local Government Election Member/Officer Working Group – Progress Report – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
  7. 2018 Review of UK Parliament Constituencies: Public Consultation on Initial Proposals – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
  8. Interim Review of Polling Arrangements – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
  9. Scheme of Delegation – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
  10. Standing Orders Relating to Contracts – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
  11. Procurement Strategy – Submit report by Head of Legal and Democratic Services ([copy herewith](#)).
  12. Financial Strategy 2017 to 2022 (5 Year) – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT (copy to follow).
  13. Treasury Management Mid-Year Report - 2016/17 – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
  14. Response to Scottish Government Consultation on Governance of Education – Submit report by Director of Educational Services ([copy herewith](#)).

15. Notice of Motions

(a) from Councillor Allan Dorans, seconded by Councillor Nan McFarlane:-

“South Ayrshire Council calls upon the United Kingdom Government to make fair transitional state pension arrangements for all women and for the purposes of this Motion, specifically on behalf of those living in South Ayrshire, born on or after 6th April 1951, who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA) with lack of appropriate notification.

Hundreds of thousands of women had significant pension changes imposed on them by the Pensions Acts of 1995 and 2011 with little/no/personal notification of the changes. Some women had only two years notice of a six-year increase to their state pension age.

Many women born in the 1950s are living in hardship. Retirement plans have been shattered with devastating consequences. Many of these women are already out of the labour market, caring for elderly relatives, providing childcare for grandchildren, or suffer discrimination in the workplace so struggle to find employment.

Women born in this decade are suffering financially. These women have worked hard, raised families and paid their tax and national insurance with the expectation that they would be financially secure when reaching 60. It is not the pension age itself that is in dispute - it is widely accepted that women and men should retire at the same time.

The issue is that the rise in the women's state pension age has been too rapid and has happened without sufficient notice being given to the women affected, leaving women with no time to make alternative arrangements.

That Council agrees to request the Chief Executive to write, on behalf of the Council, to the Secretary of State for Works and Pensions to call upon the United Kingdom Government to reconsider transitional arrangements for women born on or after 6th April 1951, so that women do not live in hardship due to pension changes they were not told about until it was too late to make alternative arrangements.”

(b) from Councillor Brian Connolly, seconded by Councillor Alec Clark:-

“Following Donald Trump's election as the next US President, South Ayrshire Council welcomes the Trump Organization's continued development of – and significant investment in – Trump Turnberry, reinforcing its status as one of the world's leading golf resorts. This has made a positive difference in generating jobs, business and income for the local economy and we look forward to maintaining a strong and productive relationship with the Trump Organization for the benefit of South Ayrshire”.

16. Formal Questions.