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7th December 2017

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, 14th December 2017 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

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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 5th October 2017 ([copy herewith](#)).

(b) Minutes of Panels.

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

- (i) Appeals Panel of [5th September 2017](#).
- (ii) Audit and Governance Panel of [29th August](#) and [26th September](#) (Special).
- (iii) Leadership Panel of [19th September](#) and [31st October 2017](#)

In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation and Standing Orders for Meetings, the recommendation in the minutes of 28th November 2017, as contained in the "C*" paragraph has been referred to the Council for decision – "Support for Ayr Gaiety Partnership".

([copy of excerpt of minute herewith](#)).

- (iv) Local Review Body of [12th September](#), [3rd October](#) and [7th November](#).
 - (v) Partnerships Panel of [13th September 2017](#).
 - (vi) Regulatory Panel – Licensing of [21st September](#) and [25th October 2017](#).
 - (vii) Regulatory Panel – Planning of [31st August](#), [15th September](#) (Site Visit) and [4th October 2017](#).
 - (viii) Service and Performance Panel of [12th September 2017](#).
 - (ix) Ayrshire Shared Services of [8th September 2017](#).
- (c) Continued Item from Leadership Panel of 31st October 2017 – Golf Development Academy ([copy of excerpt of minute herewith](#)).
5. Schedule of Meetings – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
 6. Scheme of Delegation – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
 7. Standing Orders Relating to Contracts – Submit report by Executive Director – Resources, Governance and Organisation ([copy herewith](#)).
 8. Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2017/18 – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
 9. General Services 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
 10. Corporate Charging Policy – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
 11. Debt Charge Review – Submit report by Head of Finance and ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
 12. Council House Rents and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Revenue and Capital Estimates 2018/19 – Submit joint report by Head of Housing and Facilities and Head of Finance & ICT ([copy herewith](#)).
 13. South Lodge Care Home Care Inspectorate Report - Submit report by the Head of Community Health and Care Services ([copy herewith](#)).
 14. Delivery of Key Priorities for Children and Families Services – Submit report by Head of Children’s Health, Care and Criminal Justice Services (copy to follow).
 15. Development of the Council Plan 2018-22 – Submit report by Head of Policy and Performance ([copy herewith](#)).
 16. Progress Against the Council Plan during 2017-18 – Submit report by Head of Policy and Performance ([copy herewith](#)).

17. Notice of Motions

- (a) from Councillor Chris Cullen, seconded by Councillor Alec Clark:-

“That South Ayrshire Council will prohibit all intentional helium balloon and Chinese/sky lantern releases on Council owned land and property and at events endorsed or supported by the Council, including those on non-Council land.

South Ayrshire Council will raise awareness of environmental consequences of helium balloon and Chinese/sky lantern releases and promote alternatives.”

- (b) from Councillor Peter Henderson, seconded by Councillor Ian Cavana:-

“That South Ayrshire Council through the Chief Executive inform the DWP, UK Government and Scottish Government of our grave concern of the impact that the roll out of universal credit is having on individuals and council services due to the delays in payment to constituents. The misery and hardship caused, stress and demands on vital services due to the inefficiency and mismanagement of the implementation of the system by the Department of Work and Pensions. The changes announced in the Budget do not go far enough to stop the genuine distress and anxiety that is and is continuing to be caused. The fact that waiting times are reduced to five weeks will only be introduced in February, the advances system in January and additional support for Housing support in April, ensures that the winter will indeed be miserable for recipients.

This Council is calling for a pause in delivering the system until it is fit for purpose.”

- (c) from Councillor Peter Henderson, seconded by Councillor Andy Campbell:-

“That the Chief Executive expresses South Ayrshire Council’s opposition in the strongest terms to the Ayrshire and Arran Health Board and Scottish Government regarding the threat to Station 15 at Ayr Hospital to change Oncology services.

The provision of the cancer services at Ayr hospital must be retained in order to serve the people of South Ayrshire for the future.

Change to the provision of these services in a large rural constituency would be extremely detrimental to the patients and public in South Ayrshire. Travelling distances and times with inadequate provision of public transport will have a severely adverse effect on patients and families. In the South, East and North of South Ayrshire, the time taken to travel to and from Ayr can be several hours. A proposal to extend this time by in excess of two hours for our village patients is unreservedly opposed. Provision of patient transport is often by multiple pick up and returns of patients by mini bus taking many most of the day. Volunteer patient transport is often provided by private car again to extend the length of journey to a facility without adequate parking, increased expense and discomfort is unacceptable and is against the patient charter.

While we are aware of public finance pressure etc the proposed alternative in Kilmarnock is not in our opinion a reasonable option.

This Council calls for the retention of services and a commitment to the sadly growing number of patients that require the services provided.

It is also noted that without consultation several clinics provided at Ayr have now been unilaterally moved elsewhere causing stress, discomfort and extended travelling to many patients.”

- (d) from Councillor Craig Mackay, seconded by Councillor Philip Saxton:-

“Council recognises the importance of walking and cycling, and the significant benefits to health, the environment and congested town centres that can result from modal shift from private cars towards active forms of travel.

Council welcomes the 100% increase in Scottish Government funding for active travel from £40m to £80m from 2018-19 and the appointment of an Active Nation Commissioner to help make Scotland a healthier and more active nation.

Council agrees that South Ayrshire has a role to play in contributing towards the government’s vision of 10% of everyday journeys being undertaken by bicycle, and resolves to put active travel at the heart of our transport planning to take full advantage of the increased government funding on offer.”

- (e) from Councillor Peter Henderson, seconded by Councillor Brian McGinley:-

“Since Britain joined the European Union, Structural Funds have co-financed a vast range of initiatives to promote economic growth. With Brexit, that source of funding will disappear. South Ayrshire Council therefore welcomes the UK Government’s commitment to establishing a UK Shared Prosperity Fund as a potential source of new funding.

However, several issues are unresolved that could play a pivotal role in delivering growth and jobs in the places that need this most. The Industrial Communities Alliance has proposed that:

The Shared Prosperity Fund’s budget should be set at a level that not only compensates for the loss of EU funding (£1.5 bn a year) but also provides additional resources to match the scale of the challenge to deliver growth and prosperity across Britain.

The Fund should focus on narrowing local and regional differences in economic well-being.

Local authorities should have a strong hand in the management of the new Fund. Local authorities are most closely attuned to local needs and should take the key decisions about spending priorities.

As such it is agreed to ask the Chief Executive to write to the Chancellor, and Secretaries of State for Business and Communities, with copies to local MPs and MSPs, calling on the UK Government to incorporate these proposals into the structure of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.”

- (f) from Councillor Martin Dowey, seconded by Councillor Peter Convery:-

“Council agrees to fly the Union Flag and Saltire from County Buildings from 1/11/18 to 30/11/18 to commemorate 100 years since the ending of the Great War in 1918, and for said flags to be flown every November thereafter from County Buildings.”

- (g) from Councillor Martin Dowey, seconded by Councillor Iain Campbell:-

“Council agrees to commit to no compulsory redundancies for the full term of the SNP/Labour/Independent Administration. This commitment was made to the workforce and should be honoured.”

18. Formal Questions.
19. **Authority to Accept Tenders – Submit report by Head of Legal and Democratic Services (copy to follow – Members only).**
20. **Review of Management Structure – Submit report by Chief Executive (copy herewith – Members only).**
21. **Consideration of Disclosure of the above Confidential Reports.**

For more information on any of these items on the agenda, please telephone Janice McClure,
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