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Dear Councillor

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SPECIAL)

You are requested to participate in the above special meeting to be held **on Wednesday 20 January 2021 at 10.00 a.m.** for the purpose of considering the undernoted business.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and in line with Government guidance, the meeting will be conducted remotely with only Elected Members and relevant officers having access to the meeting.

Yours sincerely

CATRIONA CAVES
Head of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services

B U S I N E S S

1. Provost
2. Sederunt
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Setting of Council House Rents and Other Rents and Charges (2021/22 – 2023/24) and Proposed Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Revenue Budget 2021/22 and Capital Budget (2021/22 - 2025/26) - Submit report by Assistant Director – Place ([copy herewith](#)).
5. VAT Recovery Funds – Submit report by Director – Place ([copy herewith](#)).
6. Notice of Motion from Councillor Julie Dettbarn, seconded by Councillor Philip Saxton:-

“Improving the Lives of Gypsy / Travellers:

Council recognises the long-standing inequalities and injustices suffered by our Gypsy / Traveller communities; agrees that Gypsy / Travellers remain one of the most disadvantaged, marginalised and discriminated against communities in Scotland and resolves to deliver positive change in the experiences and outcomes of Gypsy / Travellers in South Ayrshire.

Council notes the actions laid out in the plan: “Improving the Lives of Gypsy Travellers 2019 - 2021”. The Plan is a joint action plan by the Scottish Government and the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) and identifies 5 key areas where work must be taken forward to improve experiences and outcomes for Gypsy/Travellers in Scotland:

1. Provide more and better accommodation
2. Improve access to public services
3. Better incomes in and out of work
4. Tackle racism and discrimination
5. Improve Gypsy/Traveller representation

Council therefore resolves to deliver positive change in the experiences and outcomes of Gypsy / Travellers in South Ayrshire by requesting that the Chief Executive set up a Member Officer Working Group to consider South Ayrshire's priorities in implementing the Plan "Improving the Lives of Gypsy Travellers 2019 -2021" with the remit to present a report to Leadership Panel in June 2021 with its initial recommendations."

7. Formal Questions.

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