

Executive and Ratification Committee  
7 December 1999

**Irvine, 7 December 1999** - At a Meeting of the Executive and Ratification Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 10.00 am.

**Present**

David O'Neill, Ian Clarkson, David Gallagher, Jane Gorman, Elliot Gray, James Jennings, Joseph McKinney, Alan Munro, Robert Rae and Samuel Taylor.

**In Attendance**

B Devine, Chief Executive; T Orr, Corporate Director (Property Services); A Herbert, Assistant Chief Executive (Finance); I Mackay, Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Regulatory); M Macfarlane, Assistant Chief Executive (Personnel); J Barrett, Assistant Chief Executive (I T Services); and M Adams, Corporate Policy Officer (Chief Executive's).

**Chair**

Mr O'Neill in the Chair.

**Apologies for Absence**

David Munn.

**1. Corporate Services Committee: 1 December 1999**

Submitted note of recommendations made by the Corporate Services Committee at its meeting on 1 December 1999.

In relation to Item 21 on "Property Services: Review of Janitorial Services", the Chair advised that the Committee at its last meeting had approved a Property Services Committee recommendation regarding changes to the janitorial service and referred the staffing implications to the Corporate Services Committee.

The Chair then invited the Transport and General Workers full-time officer, Mr H O'Neill, to address the meeting, on issues of concern regarding this decision.

Mr O'Neill advised of concerns regarding the proposed changes, including the implications for the delivery of support services for Education and potential difficulties associated with demarcation, the legal implications of the proposed changes; the extent of the reduction in wages for employees; and the wider options available. Mr O'Neill asked that the Council consider continuing with negotiations on this issue, possibly with the involvement of the Chair and/or other elected Members, in order to achieve a satisfactory solution to this situation.

Following discussion on certain of the points raised, the Chair thanked Mr O'Neill for his contribution and Mr O'Neill then withdrew from the meeting.

The Committee agreed to approve the recommendations of the Corporate Services Committee.

**2. Planning and Regulatory Sub-Committee: 6 December 1999**

Submitted note of recommendations made by the Planning and Regulatory Sub-Committee at its meeting on 6 December 1999.

The Committee agreed (a) to remit application LHCL/001 for a Late Hours Catering Licence back to the Sub-Committee for further consideration; and (b) otherwise to approve the recommendations of the Sub-Committee.

The meeting ended at 10.25 am.