Corporate Strategy Committee 16 February 1999

Irvine, 16 February 1999 - At a Special Joint Meeting of the Corporate Strategy and Housing Services Committees of North Ayrshire Council at 3.00 p.m.

Present

James Clements, Jack Carson, Ian Clarkson, Stewart Dewar, John Donn, David Gallagher, Jane Gorman, Margaret Highet, James Jennings, Joseph McKinney, Thomas Morris, David Munn, Margaret Munn, David O'Neill, Robert Rae, Robert Reilly, Gena Seales, George Steven and Samuel Taylor.

In Attendance

The Chief Executive; The Corporate Director (Property Services); The Assistant Chief Executive (Finance); and The Principal Policy/Administration Officer (Chief Executive).

Chair

Mr Clements in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Thomas Dickie, Samuel Gooding and Richard Wilkinson.

1. Housing Revenue Account Budget 1999/2000

Submitted joint report by the Corporate Director (Property Services) and the Assistant Chief Executive (Finance) on the Draft Housing Revenue Account Budget for 1999/2000.

The Housing Revenue Account has been prepared on the basis of 3% inflation for payroll costs and 2.5% for other costs with the exception of the Works Repairs Contract which has been increased by 5%. The Loans Fund interest has been estimated at 7.76%. It is estimated that a surplus balance of £2,086,700 will be carried forward to 2000/01.

As at 30 September 1999, it is estimated that there will be 17,900 North Ayrshire Council houses including 1,830 former Irvine Development Corporation houses. It is proposed that there should be no increase in rent levels for 1999/2000.

After discussion the Committee agreed (a) to approve the Housing Revenue Account Budget for 1999/2000 at £31,284,000; and (b) that there be no rent increase applied to North Ayrshire Council housing stock.

The meeting ended at 3.10 p.m.