

North Ayrshire Council  
14 May 1996

**Irvine, 14 May 1996** - Minutes of the Meeting of the North Ayrshire Council held in the Council Chambers, Cunninghame House, Irvine on Tuesday 14 May 1996 at 6.00 p.m.

**Present**

George Steven, John Donn, Thomas Barr, Patrick Browne, Jack Carson, Ian Clarkson, James Clements, Stewart Dewar, Thomas Dickie, David Gallagher, Samuel Gooding, Jane Gorman, Elliot Gray, Joseph McKinney, Elizabeth McLardy, Thomas Morris, David Munn, Margaret Munn, Alan Munro, Irene Oldfather, David O'Neill, Robert Rae, Robert Reilly, Gena Seales, John Sillars, Samuel Taylor and Richard Wilkinson.

**In Attendance**

The Chief Executive, the Directors of Education, Planning, Roads and the Environment, Community and Recreational Services, Commercial Services and Housing Services, the Head of Corporate Business, the Legal Services Manager, the Personnel Services Manager, the Information Technology Services Manager, the Head of Accountancy Services, the Head of Cleansing, Grounds Maintenance, the Head of Service Management (Social Work), the Head of Planning and Development (Social Work), the Principal Officer (Marketing and Publicity) and the Principal Officer (Policy/Administration).

**Chair**

Mr. Steven in the Chair.

**Apologies for Absence**

Margaret Highet, James Jennings and Peter McNamara.

**1. Mr. Alex Rubie**

The Convener referred to the recent death of Alex Rubie who was a former Provost of the Royal Burgh of Irvine and a Cunninghame District Councillor from 1975 to 1996.

Mr. Carson, on behalf of the Council, paid tribute to the work which Mr. Rubie did not only within Irvine Town Council and Cunninghame District Council but also as an individual throughout Irvine. Mr. Rubie was a Member of Irvine Town Council and Cunninghame District Council for a total of 35 years and was the last Provost of the Royal Burgh of Irvine. He was heavily involved in the Irvine Trades and the Burns Club and Cunninghame District Council made a presentation to him at their last meeting in March.

Following Mr. Carson's remarks the Council stood in silence for one minute as a tribute to Mr. Rubie.

**2. Election of Member for Ward 27 (Largs South)**

The Convener reported that Mr. Richard Wilkinson had been elected to serve as the Member for Ward 27 (Largs South) at the By-Election held on 2 May 1996.

Noted.

### **3. Presentation of Gavel**

A presentation of the former Strathclyde Regional Council Gavel was made to the Convener. The Convener accepted the gavel with thanks.

The Council agreed that the gavel, used by Cunninghame District Council be presented to the Abbey Tower, Kilwinning.

### **4. Minutes Confirmed**

The Minutes of the meeting of North Ayrshire Council held on 2 April 1996 were confirmed.

### **5. Reports of Committees**

The annexed reports of Committees, being the Minutes of their Meetings as undernoted were submitted, moved and seconded in terms of Standing Order No. 8 and approved as follows:-

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Pages</b>
*Corporate Strategy Committee: 9 April 1996	1 - 23
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Development Control Sub-Committee: 7 May 1996	106 - 112
*Special Corporate Strategy Committee: 9 May 1996	113 - 120

#### **\* Corporate Strategy Committee: 9th April 1996**

The modifications to the report of the Corporate Strategy Committee held on 9 April 1996 are as follows:-

#### **(a) Nuclear Free Local Authorities**

Mr. Wilkinson requested that notwithstanding that he was not a Member of the Council on 9 April 1996 that his dissent be recorded in respect of item 9 on page 4 of the Committee.

Agreed.

#### **(b) Invitation to Affiliate to the Campaign for a Scottish Parliament**

Mr. Wilkinson requested that notwithstanding that he was not a Member of the Council on 9

April 1996 that his dissent be recorded in respect of item 11 on page 5 of the Committee.

Agreed.

**(c) Armed Forces Access to Council Land and Facilities**

That item 16 on page 6 of the report be continued to the next meeting of the Corporate Strategy Committee on 21 May 1996.

**\* Special Corporate Strategy Committee: 9 May 1996**

**Capital Programme 1996/97 (Other Services): (d) Capital Projects: Resources Available**

That item 2(d) on page 116 of the report be amended so that the second paragraph on page 116 reads as follows:-

"During the course of discussion Mr. McKinney expressed concern over the removal of play facilities at the new Castlepark Primary School. The former school had such facilities and there is dissatisfaction in the Castlepark area that these are now unavailable. A plan was drawn up by Cunninghame District Council to replace play facilities in the area but this has not been implemented due to lack of funding."

The Meeting ended at 6.20 p.m.