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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on THURSDAY, 20 AUGUST 2015 at 11:00 AM, which you are requested to attend.

[Note: There will be a Procurement Development Session prior to the meeting, from 10.00am to 11.00am, for all Members of the Policy and Resources Committee].

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BUSINESS

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)
- 3. MINUTES
 - (a) POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 14 MAY 2015 (Pages 1 8)
 - (b) SPECIAL POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 JUNE 2015 (Pages 9 12)
- 4. FINANCIAL REPORTING 2015-16 SUMMARY

Report by Interim Head of Strategic Finance (Pages 13 - 20)

5. SERVICE CHOICES

Report by Interim Head of Strategic Finance (Pages 21 - 36)

6. PERFORMANCE REPORTING FQ1 2015-16

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 37 - 46)

7. AUDIT SCOTLAND ACTION PLAN - UPDATE

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 47 - 62)

8. LAND REFORM (SCOTLAND) BILL 2015

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 63 - 72)

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND - PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED ELECTORAL WARDS

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 73 - 78)

10. DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS POLICY UPDATE

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 79 - 84)

11. COUNCIL TAX ON EMPTY PROPERTIES

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 85 - 90)

12. CONSULTATION ON REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE UNDER THE WELFARE FUNDS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 91 - 104)

13. CONSULTATION ON PROPOSAL FOR A CYBER RESILIENCE STRATEGY FOR SCOTLAND

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 105 - 112)

14. SMITH AGREEMENT INQUIRY: CALL FOR EVIDENCE FROM WELFARE REFORM COMMITTEE

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 113 - 120)

15. PROCUREMENT AND COMMISSIONING STRATEGY 2015-2018

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 121 - 160)

16. CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 161 - 174)

17. VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 175 - 180)

18. HERMITAGE PARK, HELENSBURGH

Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services (Pages 181 - 194)

(Please note that the supporting documentation to this report is available in the Members Room)

19. ROTHESAY TOWNSCAPE HERITAGE PHASE 2 STAGE ONE BID

Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services (Pages 195 - 202)

20. UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW POLICY - PAVEMENT CAFE LICENCES

Recommendation by Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee of 13 August 2015 and Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services (to follow)

21. POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE WORK PLAN (Pages 203 - 208)

22. RESOURCING SERVICE CHOICES PROCESS - HR SERVICE

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 209 - 216)

- (a) APPENDIX 1 (Pages 217 224)
- **E1** (b) APPENDIX 2 (Pages 225 226)

E2 23. REQUEST FOR CASH FLOW LOAN BY SOUTH KINTYRE DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Report by Head of Strategic Finance (Pages 227 - 232)

E3 24. HELENSBURGH OFFICE ACCOMMODATION - UPDATE

Report by Executive Director – Customer Services (Pages 233 - 238)

E4 25. NEW SCHOOLS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Report by Executive Director – Community Services (Pages 239 - 260)

E5 26. MAJOR CAPITAL REGENERATION PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services (An enlarged copy of Appendix B is available in the Members Room) (Pages 261 - 276)

The Committee will be asked to pass a resolution in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for items of business with an "E" on the grounds that it is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part I of Schedule 7a to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

The appropriate paragraphs are:-

- **Paragraph 1** Information relating to a particular employee, former employee or applicant to become an employee of, or a particular office-holder, former office-holder or applicant to become an office-holder under the authority.
- **Paragraph 4** Information relating to any particular applicant for, or recipient or former recipient of, any financial assistance provided by the authority.
- **E3,E4,E5** Paragraph 8 The amount of any expenditure proposed to be incurred by the authority under any particular contract for the acquisition of property or the supply of goods or services.

Paragraph 9 Any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Councillor Dick Walsh (Chair)
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Councillor Donald Kelly
Councillor Iain MacLean
Councillor Alleen Morton
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