WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU

30 September 2003

MEETING: COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER, 2003

COUNCIL CHAMBERS MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

STATION ROAD DUMBARTON

Dear Member,

Please attend a meeting of the **Community Participation Committee** to be held in Council Chambers, Municipal Buildings, Station Road, Dumbarton, on Wednesday, 8 October 2003 at 2.00 p.m.

The business is as shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

TIM HUNTINGFORD

Chief Executive

Distribution:

Elected Members:-

Councillor G Casey (Convener)

Councillor A White

Councillor J Maceira

Councillor C O'Sullivan

Councillor J Duffy

Councillor M Bootland

Councillor M McNair

Councillor J Bollan

Councillor D Brogan

Councillor M McGregor

All other Councillors for information

Community Representatives:-

Mrs Wendy Hutchinson, Community Councils Forum

Mr Murdoch Cameron, MBE, Community Councils Forum

Bellsmyre Neighbourhood Forum (one member)

Clydebank Forum on Disability (one member)

Clydebank Unemployed Community Resource Centre (one member)

Clydebank Youth Forum (one member)

Faifley Neighbourhood Forum (one member)

Lone Parent Group (one member)

Millburn Tenants and Residents Association (one member)

South Drumry Tenants and Residents Association (one member)

West Dunbartonshire Seniors Alliance (one member)

Officers:-

Chief Executive

Director of Corporate Services

Director of Economic, Planning and Environmental Services

Director of Education and Cultural Services

Director of Commercial and Technical Services

Director of Social Work and Housing

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AGENDA

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. APOLOGIES

3. PRESENTATION

Mr Mike O'Donnell and Ms Sandra Davidson, Community Development Managers with West Dunbartonshire Partnership, will give a presentation on other avenues of community involvement in West Dunbartonshire, with particular focus on the review of Decentralisation Scheme.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Pages 1 - 2)

Submit for approval as a correct record, Minutes of meeting of Community Participation Committee held on 20 August 2003.

5. ROLE OF INTERIM COMMUNITY MEMBERS ON THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE (Page 3)

Submit report by the Chief Executive on the role of interim Community Members on the Community Participation Committee.

6. SCHEME OF DECENTRALISATION: REVIEW UPDATE (Pages 5 - 6)

Submit report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the review of the Council's Decentralisation Scheme.

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7. COMMUNITY WEEK/COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

BACKGROUND ON 2003 - PLANNING FOR 2004

(Pages 7 - 9)

Submit report by the Chief Executive advising the Committee of the progress in arrangements for Community Week / Community Conference 2004 and attaching a discussion papers for comments.

8. COMMUNITY COUNCILS

(Pages 11 - 15)

Submit report by the Chief Executive advising Members of the current status of Community Councils within the West Dunbartonshire Council.

9. DRAFT STRATEGY ON EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION AND CONSULTATION (Pages 17 - 31)

Submit report by the Chief Executive presenting a draft strategy for the conduct of the Council's Communication and Consultation with the people of West Dunbartonshire and other stakeholders in its services.

10. TIMING OF NEXT MEETING

Members are asked to note that the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 10 December will be held at 11.00 a.m. in the Municipal Buildings, Dumbarton.

For information on the above agenda please contact Fiona Anderson, Administrative Assistant, Legal and Administrative Services, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, G82 3PU. Tel: (01389) 737210