

## **CCT STRATEGY SUB-COMMITTEE**

At a Meeting of the CCT Strategy Sub-Committee held within the Council Offices,  
Garshake Road, Dumbarton on 17th February, 1997

- Present:** Provost Patrick O'Neill (LAB), Councillors Mary Campbell (LAB), Patricia Rice (LAB) and George Cairney (LAB).
- Attending:** Ian Leitch, Depute Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council, Tim Huntingford, Director of Social Work and Tim Rhead, Housing Strategy Manager.
- Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Andrew White (LAB), James McCallum (LAB & CO-OP) and James Flynn (LAB).

### **Provost O'Neill in the Chair**

## **COMPULSORY COMPETITIVE TENDERING OF HOUSING MANAGEMENT**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Housing Services regarding the exact nature of contract packaging for Housing Management CCT. In this connection it was noted that the Housing Department's main objective in relation to packaging the CCT contracts was to ensure that the integrity of the service was maintained. Accordingly, this could only be efficiently achieved by packaging all Housing Department area office services in comprehensive contract units which would, in turn, necessitate the inclusion of services additional to the statutory minimum required by the Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994.

Having heard the Housing Strategy Manager and the Depute Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council in elaboration and in answer to Members' questions, the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that the Director of Housing, in accordance with guidance issued by the Scottish Office, had consulted with the market on their preferences for packaging of Housing Department services and had received no responses in relation thereto;
- (2) to note that the outcome of tenant consultation, which was presently ongoing in relation to this matter would be the subject of a report to a future Meeting of this Sub-Committee;
- (3) to note that all areas of policy making, strategic planning and the Housing Department's enabling role would remain client activities and would not be included in any contracts;
- (4) to approve, in terms of Section 2(7) of the Local Government Act 1988, the packaging of the undernoted services in respect of Housing Management CCT:-

- (a) allocation service,
  - (b) homeless service,
  - (c) rent collection service,
  - (d) arrears service,
  - (e) housing benefit service,
  - (f) miscellaneous financial services,
  - (g) assessing and ordering repairs,
  - (h) estate management service,
  - (i) caretaking,
  - 0) factoring service; and
- (5) to authorise the Director of Housing to make minor variations to the final packaging of the individual contracts in order to reflect individual local area office operational differences, whilst noting that any significant changes would be the subject of a report to a future Meeting of the Sub-Committee.