

**WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU**

8 May 2003

**MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY 2003**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**COUNCIL OFFICES**  
**GARSHAKE ROAD**  
**DUMBARTON**

Dear Member,

Please attend the Statutory Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 14 May 2003 at 7.00 pm.

Please note that refreshments will be available from 6.15 pm.

The business is as undernoted.

Yours faithfully

**TIM HUNTINGFORD**

Chief Executive

**AGENDA**

**1. APOLOGIES**

**2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS - 1 MAY 2003**

**(pages 1-10)**

Submit report by the Returning Officer on the results of the elections for West Dunbartonshire Council held on 1 May 2003.

**3. ELECTION OF PROVOST**

Council is requested to consider the election of Provost.

**4. ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**(pages 11-38)**

Submit copy of existing Standing Orders for West Dunbartonshire Council for consideration. It is suggested that Council may wish to approve the Standing Orders for an initial period of six months in order to allow any review of Standing Orders considered necessary by Council. Notwithstanding any temporary approval of Standing Orders, some interim modification to Standing Orders may be required to reflect any decision taken by Council in respect of the following items of business.

**5. ELECTION OF DEPUTE PROVOST**

If Standing Orders are adopted, provision is made therein for the election of a Depute Provost.

**6. ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

If Standing Orders are adopted, provision is made therein for the election of the Leader of the Council.

**7. ELECTION OF DEPUTE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

If Standing Orders are adopted, provision is made therein for the election of the Depute Leader of the Council.

**8. CONSTITUTION AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES etc OF WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL AND APPOINTMENT OF CONVENERS OF COMMITTEES**

**(pages 39-42)**

Submit report by the Director of Corporate Services inviting the Council to consider (i) the appointment of such Committees etc., as it deems appropriate and making recommendations as to the composition thereof and (ii) the appointment of Conveners.

**9. REMIT AND DELEGATION TO COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS**

**(pages 43-47)**

Subject to any adjustment or changes consequent upon decisions taken under the immediately preceding item of business, Council is requested to approve the existing remits and delegation to Committees and Officers.

## **10. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE LICENSING BOARD**

It is a statutory duty of the Council to appoint Councillors to the Licensing Board. In accordance with the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 the minimum number to be appointed should be not less than six Members of the Council. The current membership of the Licensing Board is ten and it is a matter for the Licensing Board to elect a Chairman. Council is therefore requested to appoint Members to the Licensing Board.

## **11. CHILDREN'S PANEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

In accordance with Schedule 1 (3) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995, Council is required to nominate two persons to serve on the West Dunbartonshire Children's Panel Advisory Committee. The previous Council had agreed that one person be nominated by the Labour Group and one person by the SNP Group. Mr. Hugh McLafferty (previously nominated by the Labour Group) and Mrs. Patricia Shannon (previously nominated by the SNP Group) have intimated that they are willing to continue to serve on the CPAC.

The Council is requested to consider their reappointment.

## **12. COMMITTEE TIMETABLE TO DECEMBER 2003**

**(pages 49-53)**

Submit report by the Director of Corporate Services requesting approval of a timetable in respect of meeting dates of West Dunbartonshire Council and Committees, subject to any adjustments or changes consequent upon decisions taken under agenda item 8.

## **13. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

**(pages 55-68)**

Submit report by the Director of Corporate Services in respect of the filling of vacancies on Outside Bodies.

**Note (1): Council is invited to note that it is suggested that an elected representative to Westrains and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority (SPT), should be the same individual, although the Council is required to appoint 1 representative and 1 substitute to WESTRANS and 2 representatives and 2 substitutes to SPT.**

**Note (2): The advice on party balance issued by COSLA in May 1999, which related only to membership of the Convention, is attached for information.**

**14. EX-OFFICIO JUSTICES OF THE PEACE**

**(pages 69-72)**

Submit letter from the Scottish Executive inviting nominations for up to one quarter of the Council's elected Members to serve as ex-officio Justices for this area.

**15. WEST OF SCOTLAND EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM - MEETING WITH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCOTLAND ON FUTURE EU REGIONAL POLICY**

It is reported that a meeting has been scheduled by the West of Scotland European Consortium with the Secretary of State for Scotland on 19 May, 2003 and an invitation has been extended to the Council to send its newly appointed representative.

**16. GLASGOW HUMANE SOCIETY**

It is reported that advance notice has been received from the Glasgow Humane Society of two events taking place shortly, these being the Launch of a New Rescue Boat on Saturday, 31 May 2003 in Glasgow and the AGM on 6 June 2003 in Glasgow. It is anticipated that the newly appointed representative to the Glasgow Humane Society will be invited to attend.

**17. STRATHCLYDE POLICE - CHOICES FOR LIFE**

It is reported that two themed, multi-media events organised by Strathclyde Police, designed to promote alternative lifestyles to drug abuse are to be held on 20 and 21 May, 2003. The target audience is Primary 7 pupils, but an invitation has also been extended to the Council's two newly appointed representatives to the Strathclyde Joint Police Board.

**18. SCHEME OF MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES**

**(pages 73-76)**

Submit report by the Director of Corporate Services advising of the Scheme of Members' Allowances and requesting that consideration be given thereto.

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