APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 3 October 2005

Chair:

Councillor William Ross

Councillors Present: Pam Clearie, Alan Dick, Bev Gauld

Councillor's Apology: Liz Handibode

Attending:

Corporate Resources

V Aitken, Personnel Officer; R Lake, Administration Manager; M McAllister, Personnel Officer

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Exclusion of Press and Public The Panel decided: that, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the next item of business on the grounds that it was likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information in terms of Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

3 Appeal Against Dismissal

The Panel considered an appeal (7/05) by a former employee of Housing and Technical Resources against his dismissal.

The appellant was present and represented by B Watson, General Municipal Boiler Makers and Allied Trade Unions (GMB). The Council was represented by D Paterson, Personnel Officer, Housing and Technical Resources. Both sides called witnesses. All parties were heard in relation to the appeal and then withdrew from the meeting.

The Panel decided:

that the grounds of the appeal had not been substantiated and the appeal be not upheld.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.