APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 5, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 20 July 2005

Chair:

Councillor Pat Watters

Councillors Present:

Alan Dick, Carol Hughes, John Ormiston, David Shearer

Attending:

J Kearns, Personnel Officer; S McLeod, Administration Officer

Appointment of Chair

In terms of Standing Order No 5(b), Councillor Watters was appointed Chair for this meeting.

1 Declaration of Interests

The Panel decided:

No interests were declared.

2 Exclusion of Press and Public

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 (18/04) by a former employee of Housing and Technical Resources against his dismissal.

The appellant was not present but was represented by J McLaren, Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians. The Council was represented by D Paterson, Personnel Officer, Housing and Technical Resources. The Council 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.