APPEALS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 30 November 2005

Chair: Councillor Pat Watters

Councillors Present: Pam Clearie, Gerry Convery, Bev Gauld, David McLachlan

Attending: Corporate Resources P Forsyth, 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

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 Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

3 Appeal Against Dismissal

The Panel considered an appeal (13/05) by a former employee of Community Resources against his dismissal.

The appellant was present and represented by A Duncan, General Municipal Boilermakers and Allied Trade Unions (GMB). The Council was represented by K McVeigh, Personnel Services Manager, Community Resources.

A Duncan requested that consideration of the appeal be postponed for the following reasons:-

- the appellant had not received his papers as he had been residing at a different address
- he had not had the chance to prepare properly as he had been unable to contact the appellant

The Panel decided:

that consideration of the appeal be postponed and arrangements made as soon as possible for an alternative date.

4Urgent BusinessThere were no items of urgent business.