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**AYRSHIRE JOINT STRUCTURE PLAN AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
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**Scottish Awards for Quality in Planning  
Award for Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan: Monitor 2000**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 To inform the Committee of the success of the Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan: Monitor 2000 Report in the Scottish Awards for Quality in Planning.

BACKGROUND

- 2 The Scottish Awards scheme for Quality in Planning was first launched by the Scottish Executive in 1997 in association with the Royal Town Planning Institute in Scotland who provide the panel of judges. The awards are made as a recognition of quality in the planning process. The Committee will be aware that last year the Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan received a commendation in the 1999 Award scheme.

THE AWARDS PROCESS

- 3 The Award process required the submission of a written statement providing evidence of quality in the planning process. In all some 32 different aspects of planning were submitted from throughout Scotland, with short-listed projects interviewed in November.
- 4 At a ceremony in Edinburgh on 15 February 2000 the Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan and Transportation Committee, on behalf of East, North and South Ayrshire Councils received the award for the Development Plan category. The award was presented to the chairman by Sam Galbraith, Minister for Sport, Culture and the Environment.

RECOMMENDATION

5 The Committee are asked to note the content of this report

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