## (b) CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT GUIDANCE ON PARENTING ORDERS (AN168-2005)

As part of the drafting of final guidance on separate sections of the above Act, the Scottish Executive is releasing consultative papers for comment from a wide variety of stakeholders.

The Council has already commented on different sections of the Act. The above section deals with proposed draft guidance on the operation of parenting orders and the response has been compiled in consultation with key stakeholders involved in the process.

The Committee is asked to note the Council's response which was submitted to the Scottish Executive by the consultation deadline of 4th March, 2005.

Copies of the Consultation Paper and response have been issued to each Group Secretary and a copy is also available for inspection in the Councillors' Lounge.

Relevant Departments have contributed to this response.