

MINUTE
of
CIVIC HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting held at 12.30pm in the Committee Room, Council Headquarters, Giffnock, on 15 August 2017.

Present:

Provost Jim Fletcher (Chair)	Councillor Barbara Grant
Deputy Provost Betty Cunningham (Vice Chair)	Councillor Annette Ireland

Provost Fletcher in the Chair

Attending:

Linda Hutchison, Senior Committee Services Officer; and Margaret Pettigrew, Members Services Officer.

Apology:

Councillor Stewart Miller.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

74. Councillor Grant declared a non-financial interest in one of the requests for civic hospitality referred to in item 76 by virtue of her membership of Eastwood Rotary Club.

CIVIC HOSPITALITY COSTS AND USE OF COUNCIL ACCOMMODATION

75. The committee considered a report by the Deputy Chief Executive regarding the costs of various recurring civic events, the current estimated level of funding available for new events, and extent to which, under delegated powers, authority had been granted to outside bodies to use Council accommodation for meetings and functions which fall outwith the letting arrangements managed by other departments.

The report referred to the establishment and terms of reference of the committee, the budget available in 2017/18 for civic hospitality, events and other expenditure met from the budget on a recurring basis for which indicative costs were provided, and the balance of funding remaining to enable new requests to be considered. It was clarified that no requests had been received from or granted to outside bodies to use Council accommodation for meetings and functions that fell outwith the letting arrangements managed by other departments since a previous report on this had been provided in August 2016.

The committee noted the report.

REQUESTS FOR CIVIC HOSPITALITY – VARIOUS

76. The committee considered a report by the Deputy Chief Executive seeking consideration of requests for the Council to host two civic receptions at one of which the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) would be presented to Fairweather Multicultural Friendship Group, the second being to mark the Centenary of the Lodge Thistle and Crown, Neilston; and also regarding attendance at the first Diocese of Paisley Bishop's Fundraising Ball 2017 and Eastwood Rotary Club Fashion Show 2017, both of which were in support of raising funds. Full details of the requests accompanied the report.

The committee, following discussion and having noted that the Diocese of Paisley Bishop's Fundraising Ball was, in 2017, in support of raising funds to be allocated towards the refurbishment of the Saint John the Evangelist Barrhead Parish Hall within East Renfrewshire, agreed that the requests to:-

- (a) host a civic reception at which the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) would be presented to Fairweather Multicultural Friendship Group be approved;
- (b) host a further civic reception to mark the Centenary of the Lodge Thistle and Crown, Neilston be approved; and
- (c) purchase a table at the first Diocese of Paisley Bishop's Fundraising Ball 2017 and the proposal to meet the cost of wine and drinks for those attending from the Council during the meal be approved.

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Councillor Grant left the meeting at this stage.

The committee, following discussion, also agreed that the request to purchase tickets for the Eastwood Rotary Club Fashion Show 2017 in support of its aim of fitting out a room at the new Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice be approved.

CHAIR