

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL9 February 2017Report by Deputy Chief ExecutivePROVOST'S ENGAGEMENTS**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To advise the Council of a number of civic engagements attended by and civic duties performed by Provost Carmichael since the last meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

2. That the report be noted.

**REPORT**

3. Since the last meeting of the Council, the Provost has attended a number of civic engagements on behalf of the Council and carried out a number of civic duties. Details are as follows:-

19 December – Attended the ACCORD Hospice Annual Carol Service & Lunch, Paisley Abbey and Town Hall

21 December – Attended funeral of former Eastwood MP Allan Stewart.

22 December - Visited Giffnock residents celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

9 January - Attended at a Citizenship Ceremony welcoming new people to East Renfrewshire

24 January – Attended the Holocaust Memorial Day, St Ninian's High School

School debates

9 January - Giffnock P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This house believes that in order to reduce pollution, cars should be used for only 4 days a week with public transport being used for the remainder"

11 January - Giffnock P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This house believes that in order to reduce pollution, cars should be used for only 4 days a week with public transport being used for the remainder" assisted by Cllr Fletcher.

13 January - St Cadoc's P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating "This House believes that children should be allowed access to Social Media"

16 January - St Cadoc's P7 Debate, Council Chamber "This House believes that children should be allowed to use mobile phones in school"

20 January - St Cadoc's P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that homework should be banned" assisted by Cllr Robertson

23 January - Crookfur P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that robots and AI should become a bigger part of our lives" assisted by Cllr O'Kane

27 January - Crookfur P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating "This House believes that robots and AI should become a bigger part of our lives" assisted by Cllr O'Kane

30 January - St John's P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating "This house believes under-13 year olds should be allowed to use Instagram"

3 February - Carolside P7S Debate, Council Chamber, debating "This House believes that womens' sports should be equally represented in the media" assisted by Cllr Lafferty

6 February - Calderwood Lodge P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating "This House believes that children should be allowed to have mobile phones in school" assisted by Cllr McAlpine

#### Other school events

25 January – Attended a Burns Supper in Busby Primary School

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

4. That the report be noted.

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Background papers - None