

**EAST AYRSHIRE**

**COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD - 24 JUNE 2010**

**INTERNATIONAL WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY**

**Report by the Head of Human Resources, East Ayrshire Council**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To advise the Community Planning Partnership Board of International Workers Memorial Day and the fact that it is marked in East Ayrshire by a ceremony at Dean Country Park, Kilmarnock.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 International Workers Memorial Day is now designated as 28 April each year. The Scottish Trade Union Congress formally recognise the day and have done so since 2003. Kilmarnock and Loudoun TUC hold a short memorial service every year on the nearest weekend to the 28 April.
- 2.2 The day serves to remember those who have been killed or injured in the course of their work. Workers Memorial Day is also used to highlight the importance of Health and Safety in the workplace.
- 2.3 The Trade Union Convenor to the Joint Consultative Committee in East Ayrshire presented a recent report to the Council's Central Consultative Committee advising of International Workers Memorial Day. As a result, the Chief Executive asked that the Community Planning Partnership Board be advised of International Workers Memorial Day.

**3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 The Community Planning Partnership Board is asked to:
- i) consider opportunities to support International Workers Memorial Day.

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