

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 17 MAY 2006

SCOTTISH ACCIDENT PREVENTION COUNCIL 57th ANNUAL CONFERENCE: CRIEFF HYDRO: 11-12th SEPTEMBER 2006

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Sub-Committee of an invitation for the Council to be represented at the 57th Annual Conference of the Scottish Accident Prevention Council to be held in Crieff Hydro on 11th and 12th September 2006.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Scottish Accident Prevention Council discharges its responsibilities through three principal committees – Home Safety; Road Safety; and Water and Leisure Safety. East Ayrshire Council is represented on the three committees by Councillors O'Neill and Smith.
- 2.2 The three principal committees have put together a comprehensive programme for the 57th conference which will deal with such matters as In-Home Safety Campaign; CARS (Council Accident Reduction Scheme); Scottish Drownings; ITS (Integration Through Safety); Effectiveness of Twenty MPH Schemes, Danger Detectives and Experiential Learning Local Projects; Danger Detectives in the 21st Century; the Community Safety Alarm System in Edinburgh; Road Maintenance; Beach Safety; The Visually Impaired and Accident Prevention in Water and Leisure Pursuits and Statistics.
- 2.3 The programme includes a number of issues which East Ayrshire Council has actively promoted since 1996. The key note address will be given by Hugh Henry MSP.
- 2.4 Ann Williams, the Council's Community Safety Coordinator has been invited to present a paper entitled 'Danger Detectives in the 21st Century' at The Core Session on 12th September.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 Participation at the Conference would provide the Council with the opportunity to continue to play a major role in developing the work of the Scottish Accident Prevention Council.

- 3.2 The Conference also creates an informal forum for an exchange of views and discussion with not only other local authorities but also health boards, police and fire services.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The full delegate rate for the annual conference is £225 including accommodation.

5. LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Nil.

6. CONCLUSIONS

- 6.1 An invitation has been received for the Council to be represented at the 57th Annual Conference of the Scottish Accident Prevention Council to be held in Crieff Hydro on 11th to 12th September 2006.
- 6.2 The programme for the Conference contains a wide range of issues which are of topical interest to the Council at the present time.
- 6.3 The Council has attended this Conference in the past.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 It is recommended that the Sub-Committee considers attendance at the 57th Annual Conference of the Scottish Accident Prevention Council in Crieff.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Draft programme received from SAPC, 5th May 2006

Any person wishing to inspect the background paper above should telephone 01563 576111 and ask to speak to John Crawford, Head of Protective Services.

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