

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM - 7 MARCH 2001**

### **SECONDARY SCHOOLS SPEECHMAKING COMPETITION: ANDREW NISBET TROPHY**

#### **Report by Director of Community Services**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1. To advise the Forum of the outcome of the Secondary Schools Speechmaking Competition

#### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1. The competition was open to all local secondary schools and was held in the Auditorium of the Dean Castle Visitor's Centre on 31 January 2001. The three schools who participated were Stewarton Academy; Kilmarnock Academy and St. Joseph's Academy.

#### **3. COMPETITION RESULTS**

- 3.1 The winning team of Gillian Whyte and Amy Williamson were from Stewarton Academy, who will retain the Andrew Nisbet Trophy for one year. They also received a crystal bowl presented by Alex Craig of Ayrshire Occupational Health and Safety Group, sponsors of the event, and £40.00 in book tokens. The runners up, Douglas Trainer and Keiran Howie of Kilmarnock Academy, and Leo Martin and Ross Short of St Joseph's Academy each received a small silver cup and £20.00 in book tokens. All of the participants received a certificate.
- 3.2. The theme was "Accidents and Safety, Who *Is* Responsible". The teams covered every aspect of this topic -from employing more home helps and police officers, to each and every one of us being responsible for our own safety and that of others.
- 3.3 Judges for the Competition were Chief Inspector Hugh McKnight, Strathclyde Police, "U" Division; Mrs Lillian Meikle, Kilmarnock Communicators and Mr Alex Craig, Ayrshire Occupational Health and Safety Group.
- 3.4. Stewarton Academy will represent East Ayrshire at a Regional Heat of the competition to be held in Kilwinning on 8 March 2001.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1. The cost of the competition was accommodated within the Community Safety budget and from sponsorship from the Ayrshire Occupational Health and Safety Group.

#### **5. LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1. Nil

#### **6. CONCLUSIONS**

- 6.1 Stewarton Academy will represent East Ayrshire at a Regional Heat of the national competition on 8 March 2001. If successful at that stage they will progress to the final to be hosted by East Renfrewshire Council on 27 March 2001 at Carmichael House, Giffnock.

#### **7. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1. It is recommended that the Forum note the contents of this report.

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#### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone 01563 576111 and ask for Mr John Crawford, Head of Protective Services or email [john.crawford@east-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:john.crawford@east-ayrshire.gov.uk)

**AGENDA**