

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING– 12 DECEMBER 2002

KILMARNOCK 400 WHISKY TALENTPLUS SCHEME

**REPORT BY DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE/DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE
RESOURCES**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To submit to the Council proposals for the establishment of a Judging Panel to determine, in respect of the Kilmarnock 400 Whisky Talentplus Scheme, the successful applicants and the amount of award to be made.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its meeting on 3 October 2002, the Policy and Resources Committee agreed proposals for the disbursement of funds, raised through the sale of the Kilmarnock 400 Whisky, for the benefit of individuals and groups in the former Kilmarnock and Loudoun District of East Ayrshire by agreeing;

- i) the timetable relating to the management of applications to the Kilmarnock 400 Fund and the subsequent Awards Ceremony date;
- ii) the eligibility criteria for applicants and applications.

- 2.2 The Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resource was remitted to implement these actions which also included the establishment of a Judging Panel, comprising, Members of East Ayrshire Council and representatives from John Walker & Sons Ltd., to determine the successful applicants and the amount of award to be made.

3 ESTABLISHMENT OF JUDGING PANEL

- 3.1 The Kilmarnock 400 Whisky scheme has now been implemented under the branding of the Kilmarnock 400 Talentplus scheme. Appropriate measures have been taken to publicise the scheme, and administrate the applications that will be received.
- 3.2 Nominations are now sought from the Council for Members to sit on the Judging Panel of the Kilmarnock 400 Talentplus scheme.
- 3.3 It is suggested that three Members are nominated and form a Judging Panel with the two representatives to be nominated by John Walker & Sons Ltd.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

5 POLICY/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no policy or legal implications arising from this report.

6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The Council is asked to:

- iii) nominate three Members to form the Judging Panel for the Kilmarnock 400 Talentplus Scheme, with the two representatives from John Walker & Sons Ltd, and;
- iv) otherwise note the contents of this report.

Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources
24 November 2002

Background Paper

Information Packs for Talentplus applicants

Any person wishing to inspect the background paper should contact Melvin Griffin, External Funding and Sustainability Officer tel. (01290) 428359. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Fiona Lees, Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources on (01563) 576103.

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