

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE - 13 SEPTEMBER 2003

ROBERT BURNS WORLD FEDERATION LIMITED

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is ask the Committee to consider an application from the Robert Burns World Federation Limited for pre-dinner drinks at their conference and Annual General Meeting to take place in the Park Hotel, Kilmarnock on Friday 12 September 2003.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Robert Burns World Federation organises groups throughout the World to support the promotion of the work of Robert Burns.
- 2.2 The conference will take place on 12 and 13 September and on Sunday Members of the Federation will attend the service at the Laigh Church.
- 2.3 The Conference will be attended by between 200 and 250 people including members from USA, Canadian and Australia.
- 2.4 The Federation has asked the Provost to attend the Conference dinner on the Friday evening and give a formal welcome to East Ayrshire to conference delegates on that evening.
- 2.5 The Federation has asked that the Council provide an after dinner liqueur to each delegate following the meal.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Federation received a contribution of £200.00 from the Members' Services and Civic Ceremonial Sub-Committee at its meeting on 11 September 2002 towards the cost of providing a memorial garden at the Dean Castle, Kilmarnock
- 3.2 The cost of providing after dinner liqueurs would be approximately £700.00 and this amount can be accommodated from the Civic Ceremonial budget.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Council protocol for determining Council representation at such Civic events was approved by Council on 27 June 2002 and recommends that, where this Committee does not determine Council representation then the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Chair of the Members' Services and Civic Ceremonial Sub-Committee, and the Provost will determine Council representation.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS - NIL

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The Committee is asked to:-

- (i) consider the request from the Robert Burns World Federation Limited to provide after dinner liqueurs at their conference and Annual General Meeting; and
- (ii) to remit the necessary arrangements to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Chair.

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Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources
CB/KC
7 August 2003

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Application for Civic Hospitality from the Robert Burns World Federation Limited.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers relative to this report should contact Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer on 01563 576129. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on 01563 576135.

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