

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 31st JANUARY 2001

OFF THE JOB SAFETY 2001

Report by the Director of Community Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Sub-Committee of an invitation for the Council to be represented at a one-day seminar.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Scottish Home Safety Officers Group have arranged a one-day seminar to look at "Off the Job Safety" on Thursday 5th April 2001. The seminar will be held in Cathcart Business Park, Spean Street, Glasgow.
- 2.2 The speakers at the seminar include Councillor Carmichael, Chair of East Ayrshire Council Community Safety Forum, the winners of the SAPC public speaking competition 2000; the Health and Safety Advisor, Scottish Provident; the Safety and Quality Manager, CCG (UK) Ltd; and the Principal Health and Safety Officer, North Lanarkshire Council.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 Home Accidents account for 40% of all accidents and there are around 4,000 deaths every year in the UK due to accidents in the home.
- 3.2 The overall aim of the seminar is to reduce accidents in the home by –
- 3.2.1 Highlighting the cost of home accidents;
- 3.2.2 Assisting and encouraging employers to find out innovative ways to address the problem;
- 3.2.3 Facilitating a partnership approach to "Off the Job Safety".

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The cost of the seminar is £50.00.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil.

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The aims and objectives of the seminar are consistent with those of the East Ayrshire Community Safety Forum.

7. CONCLUSIONS

7.1 The Council has been invited to be represented at a seminar on "Off the Job Safety" to be held on 5th April 2001 in Glasgow and organised by the Scottish Home Safety Officers Group.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The Sub-Committee is invited to:-

- (i) consider the level of representation at the seminar; and
- (ii) otherwise not the report.

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Director of Community Services

11th January 2001

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Communication from Scottish Home Safety Officers Group received December 2000.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should contact John Crawford, Head of Protective Services, on (01563) 576111.

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AGENDA