

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 19 MARCH 2002

VISIT TO JOUÉ-LÈS-TOURS - 31 MAY TO 2 JUNE 2002

Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to advise the Sub-Committee of an invitation from Joué-Lès-Tours to attend the 5th Annual Festival from 31 May to 2 June 2002.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Joué-Lès-Tours, one of the international partners of East Ayrshire, has for the past five years been organising a big cultural "Joué Years" festival.
- 2.2 The 5th Annual Festival will take place this year between 31 May and 2 June.
- 2.3 The invitation from Danielle Asselin De Beauville (President of the Twinning Committee) and Francis Gérard (Deputy Mayor) has invited a delegation of 3 or 4 people from East Ayrshire.

3. PREVIOUS VISITS

- 3.1 In October 1997 the Provost, supported by appropriate Officers, attended a meeting in Joué-Lès-Tours. The meeting was attended by Mayors from other Authorities with links with Joué to discuss, at a general level, the development of partnership links in economic, humanitarian and training terms.
- 3.2 In July 1999 the Provost, his wife and appropriate Officers attended the 25th Anniversary of the Town Twinning with Kulmbach.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Financial implications associated with the visit would be approximately £1,100 which would include all travelling costs, a civic gift and hospitality. It should be noted that all accommodation costs will be paid for by the hosts.

5. LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS - NIL

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to:-

- (i) consider the invitation from Joué-Lès-Tours to attend the 5th Annual Festival; and

- (ii) remit the necessary arrangements, including Council representation, to the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Chair.

Fiona Lees
Depute Chief Executive/
Director of Corporate Resources

8 March 2002
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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Letter of invitation from Joué-Lès-Tours.

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.

Implementation Officer: Christine Baillie, Administrative Officer.

AGENDA