

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE (POLICY AND RESOURCES) : 12 SEPTEMBER 2001

ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL WORK CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE – “REFLECTING THE PAST SHAPING THE FUTURE” : WEDNESDAY 31 OCTOBER – FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2001

Report by Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To propose to Committee that East Ayrshire Council be represented at the Association of Directors of Social Work International Conference “Reflecting the Past Shaping the Future” to be held between Wednesday 31 October – Friday 2 November 2001, at the Hilton Dunblane Hydro, Dunblane.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The International Conference is being organised by the Association of Directors of Social Work Criminal Justice Services.
- 2.2 The Conference theme – “Reflecting the Past – Shaping the Future” will look back at the progress and developments ten years on from the introduction of 100% funding. More importantly the Conference will examine the challenges for Criminal Justice Social Work in the year ahead.
- 2.3 The Conference will be addressed by Jim Wallace, Deputy First Minister; Don Andrews PhD, Canada; Jim Orr, Director, Scottish Drug Enforcement Agency; Dr Jim McManus, Senior Lecturer, Dundee University; Sheriff Alistair Stewart QC and Geese Theatre Company.
- 2.4 Criminal Justice Social Work Services has an important contribution to make to community safety through its focus on intervention that seeks to reduce offending behaviour. Increasingly within East Ayrshire, this service will be provided through accredited programmes, underpinned by systematic validated risk assessment and risk management strategies. The Conference will explore how this approach to service delivery can best be developed in the years ahead.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The approximate cost of the Conference – Day Delegate Rate is £150.00 – Full Conference (Residential) Rate is £335 plus VAT.

4. LEGAL / POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Nil.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 It is recommended that the Council consider member representation at this Conference.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Correspondence from the Association of Directors of Social Work Criminal Justice Services.

Any person wishing to inspect the background paper listed above should contact Donal Flannery, Service Unit Manager, Criminal Justice, Council Offices, John Dickie Street, Kilmarnock. Tel: 01563 576907.

AGENDA