

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL  
REPORT

To: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE	Subject: TWINNING: SAINT DENIS	
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION		
Date: 23 October 2003	Ref: JAF/IL	

**1. Purpose of Report**

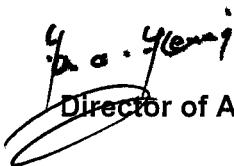
- 1.1 The report advises of an invitation received by the Provost from the Mayor of Saint Denis to commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the twinning with Coatbridge.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 The Committee, at its meeting on 27 August 2003 approved the participation of North Lanarkshire Council in the organisation and facilitation of a workshop on public services at the Second European Forum of Local Authorities for Social Inclusion to be held in Saint Denis between 11 and 13 November 2003.
- 2.2 The Provost has now received a further communication from the Mayor of Saint Denis inviting him, the President of the Twinning Committee and two persons who have participated in exchanges to a formal celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the initiation of the twinning. To coincide with the Forum, the formal celebration is proposed to take place on 10 November, the day before the start of the Forum.

**3. Recommendation**

- 3.1 Having regard to the significance of the anniversary and the links between North Lanarkshire and the municipality of Saint Denis it is recommended that the Committee give consideration to this invitation.

**Director of Administration**

*Members seeking further information on the contents of this report are asked to contact John Fleming, Head of Central Services on Extension 2228.*