

REPORT

To: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE	Subject: TOWN TWINNING VISIT: ST DENIS
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION	
Date: 6 August 2002	Ref: JOH/AH

1. Introduction

An invitation has been received from the Maire of St Denis inviting the Provost to attend ceremonies planned for Saturday 4 September 2004 to commemorate the second world war liberation of St Denis.

2. Background


- 2.1 St Denis is to celebrate, from 1 to 4 September 2004, the 60th Anniversary of the liberation of the town. The intention is that the commemoration is to be both festive and educational for the community and efforts are to be made to explain to the younger generation the reality of the liberation and the consequences of this period for contemporary history.
- 2.2 The Maire's invitation has referred to the historic importance of the role of the allies in the liberation of France and indicates the wish to seek the attendance of the Provost during the climax of the programme of commemoration. In particular the invitation is to participate in the official ceremonies planned for Saturday 4 September 2004.
- 2.3 The town of St Denis will be responsible for the cost of the Provost's visit.

3. Acceptance of Invitation

In view of the requirement to respond to the invitation timeously it has been intimated to the Maire of St Denis that the Provost will be pleased to accept this invitation.

4. Recommendation

That the attendance of the Provost to participate in the ceremonies associated with the 60th Anniversary of the Liberation of St Dennis be homologated.


Director of Administration