

REPORT

To: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE		Subject: TOWN TWINNING: SCHWEINFURT UNTERFRANKENSCHAU 2004	
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION			
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1. **Purpose of Report**

This report advises the Committee of receipt, from the Chairman of Schweinfurt Twinning Association, of a report on involvement in the Schweinfurt Unterfrankenschau 2004 (UFRA).

2. **Background**

2.1. The Committee, at its meeting held on 25 August 2004 were advised that for the past two Unterfrankenschau the Council has supported the Schweinfurt Twinning Association and agreed that a grant of £3,000 would enable that Association to participate in the 2004 Unterfrankenschau.

2.2. The Economic Regeneration Committee, at its meeting held on 25 May 2004, agreed, inter alia, that a contribution of £500 towards the cost of the Association's participation be approved, with the cost of transportation and the merchandise for sale being borne by the Economic Regeneration budget.

3. **Report**

3.1. The report submitted by the Chair of the Schweinfurt Twinning Association indicates that the show ran from 2 October until 10 October 2004 and that the participation of the Twinning Association included provision of a stand which displayed an abundance of tartan, North Lanarkshire logos and offering for sale a number of Scottish products with a piper providing Scottish music.

3.2. The report further advises that, in the course of the event, representatives of the Council were taken on a tour of industrial and business developments and met with officials of the Chamber of Commerce. In addition, the report advises that the participation of the Twinning Association successfully supported the Council's twin town, promoted friendship and increased the awareness of North Lanarkshire in Bavaria.

3.3. A copy of the report by the Chairman of the Twinning Association has been deposited and may be inspected in the Members' Library.

4. **Recommendation**

4.1. It is recommended that the Committee note the position.

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