

To: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE		Subject: TWINNING: CAMPI BISENZIO
From: DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION		
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1. **Purpose of Report**

1.1 The report advises Committee of an invitation received from the Mayor of Campi Bisenzio and seeks homologation of action taken to accept that invitation.

2. **Background**

2.1 The formal twinning links established by previous authorities and assumed by the Council include a link with the Comune of Campi Bisenzio, Italy and, on the occasion of the World Masters Rowing Championships, a party from Campi Bisenzio visited North Lanarkshire.

3. **Invitation**

3.1 A letter has been received from Signora Fiorella Alunni, the Mayor of Campi Bisenzio, indicating that the Comune of Campi Bisenzio have arranged a series of cultural initiatives and debates to commemorate the liberation of the town. That letter invites a delegation of 2-3 persons from North Lanarkshire to participate in these events from 1 to 4 September – and, in view of the timescale, seeks an early response.

4. **Action**

4.1 In light of the timescale and the need for an early response, following consultation with the Provost and the Convener of the General Purposes Committee, this invitation has been accepted and the Mayor has been advised.

5. **Recommendation**

5.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the invitation received from the Comune of Campi Bisenzio and homologate the action taken to accept that invitation.

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