

CIVIC FUNCTIONS GROUP – 14 February 2008

Motherwell, 14 February 2008 at 10 am.

A Meeting of the **CIVIC FUNCTIONS GROUP**

PRESENT

Provost Curley, Convener; Councillor Robertson, Vice-Convener; Councillors Hogg, Lyle and Ross.

CHAIR

Provost Curley (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Executive Director of Corporate Services and Members' Services Manager.

APOLOGIES

Councillors McCabe and Pentland.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. No declarations were made.

SOCIAL AND CHARITABLE FUNCTIONS - EXERCISE OF DELEGATED POWERS

2. There was submitted a report dated 7 February 2008 by the Head of Central Services (1) advising of action taken following consultation with the Provost or Depute Provost in dealing with requests of a social and charitable nature since the last meeting of the Group; (2) indicating that correspondence had been received from (a) Airdrie United Football Club inviting the Council to their Sportsman's Dinner at a cost of £240 per table of eight ; (b) St. Andrew's Hospice inviting the Council to their Sportsman's Dinner at a cost of £55 per person; (c) Scottish Women's Football Association inviting the Council to their annual fundraising dinner at a cost of £35 per person, and (d) Jimmy Knapp Cancer Fund inviting the Council to their annual charity dinner at a cost of £25 per person; (3) further advising that in view of the timescale, and in order to progress the requests timeously, after consultation with the Provost and Depute Provost the invitations were accepted with regard to the Scottish Women's Football Association by placing an advert sponsoring the event and with regard to the remainder by attendance.

Decided: that the action taken be homologated.

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3. There was submitted a report dated 6 February 2008 by the Head of Central Services (1) advising that correspondence had been received from (a) Marie Curie Cancer Care inviting the Council to support their Great Daffodil Ball; (b) Clyde Supporters Trust inviting the Council to their Celebrity

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Sports Dinner at a cost of £60 per person, and (c) Albion Rovers Football Club inviting the Council to their Annual Sportsman's Dinner at a cost of £350 plus VAT for a table of 10, and (2) seeking that consideration be given to the request.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council support the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Ball by placing an advertisement in the Souvenir Programme at a cost of £60, and
- (2) that the indications by Clyde Supporters' Club and Albion Rovers Football Club be accepted.

CIVIC HOSPITALITY - REQUEST FOR CIVIC RECOGNITION

4. There was submitted a report dated 7 February 2008 by the Head of Central Services (1) advising that correspondence had been received seeking civic recognition from (a) the Institute of Clerks of Works holding its annual conference at the Strathclyde Hilton Hotel on 25-27 April 2008; (b) Shotts Highland Games Association at Hannah Park on 7 June 2008; (c) RYA Sailability Scottish Open Challenger Championships at Strathclyde Park on 21-22 June 2008; (d) the Ancient Order of Hibernians Centenary in June 2008; (e) Airdrie and District Round Table 50th Anniversary in 2008/09, and (f) the Order of the Eastern Star Cam'nethan Violet Chapter No. 25 Centenary in March 2009.

Decided: that the aforementioned request for civic recognition be agreed.

INVITATION TO 8TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BALL - THE MOIRA ANDERSON FOUNDATION

5. There was submitted a report dated 1 February 2008 by the Executive Director of Corporate Services (1) advising that correspondence had been received from the Moira Anderson Foundation inviting the Council to support the charity's 8th Annual Anniversary Ball to be held in the McDonald Inchyra Grange Hotel, Falkirk on 1 March 2008, and (2) referring to the decision of the Civic Functions Group at its meeting held on 13 February 2002 when it was agreed, at that time, to donate a prize for the raffle.

Decided: that the Council support the Moira Anderson 8th Annual Ball by donating a prize for the raffle.

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON

6. There was submitted a report dated 6 February 2008 by the Head of Central Services (1) advising of correspondence received from the Depute Presbytery Clerk of the Church of Scotland Presbytery of Hamilton advising that the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland would be visiting Hamilton between 1 and 10 November 2008, and (2) referring to the decision of the Civic Functions Group at its meeting held on 17 February 1999 when it was agreed that a civic lunch be provided on the occasion when the Moderator paid an official visit to the Presbytery of Hamilton.

Decided: that it be agreed to provide a buffet lunch to mark the visit to the Presbytery of Hamilton by the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

DALZIEL BUILDING, SCOTT STREET, MOTHERWELL

7. There was submitted a report dated 7 February 2008 by the Executive Director of Corporate Services (1) advising that the newly built Dalziel Building in Scott Street, Motherwell was a significant Council project designed to serve as two purposes (a) a wing of the building to provide accommodation for Council staff, and (b) a business wing designed for business tenancies, in part, to replace the Dalziel Workspace accommodation; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) inviting the Council to recognise the completion of the building.

Decided: that civic recognition be agreed for the commissioning of the newly built Dalziel Building, Scott Street, Motherwell.