

CIVIC FUNCTIONS GROUP – 16 April 2015

Motherwell, 16 April 2015 at 11 am.

A Meeting of the CIVIC FUNCTIONS GROUP

PRESENT

Provost Robertson, Convener; Councillor Jones, Vice-Convener; Councillors Burrows, Curley and Stocks.

CHAIR

Provost Robertson (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Committee Services Manager and Chief Administrative Services Manager.

APOLOGY

Councillor W. Hogg.

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

1. No declarations were made.

EXERCISE OF DELEGATED POWERS

2. There was submitted a report dated 8 April 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising of action taken, in terms of his delegated powers, in respect of requests for civic recognition or functions of a social or charitable nature, which had been received since the last meeting of the Civic Functions Group.

Decided: that the action taken, following consultation with the Provost, in dealing with the requests for civic recognition, since the last meeting of the Civic Functions Group, be noted.

CIVIC HOSPITALITY – REQUEST FOR CIVIC RECOGNITION

3. There was submitted a report dated 8 April 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising of correspondence received requesting civic recognition in respect of (1) Motherwell Bowling Club advising that they would be celebrating their 150th anniversary in 2018; (2) the organisers of the Scottish Sports Development Conference 2015 advising that its 2015 conference was to be held at the Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld on 27 and 28 April 2015, and (3) RYA Sailability Scotland advising that the Scottish Open Challenger Championships would take place at Strathclyde Loch from 9 to 10 May 2015.

Decided: that with regard to the requests for civic hospitality the undernoted be agreed:-

- (1) for requests (1) and (3) above, appropriate civic hospitality be provided, and
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- (2) for request (2) above, the request for civic hospitality be declined, and the request be referred to North Lanarkshire Leisure for its consideration.

SOCIAL AND CHARITABLE FUNCTIONS

4. There was submitted a report dated 8 April 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising of two invitations received from Kilbryde Hospice to support (1) the Diva Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show to be held in the Radstone Hotel on Sunday, 17 May 2015 priced at £40 per person, and (2) the Andy Cameron Classic Golf Day to be held at Cathkin Braes Golf Club, Rutherglen on Friday, 22 May 2015 at a cost of £500 for a team of four players.

Decided: that the invitations from Kilbryde Hospice be declined.

KIRKIN' OF THE COUNCIL

5. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Group held on 21 February 1996 when it was agreed that the Kirkin' of the Council should take place annually, commencing with the Provost's area and Church, and thereafter in different North Lanarkshire towns and places of worship of different denominations, to be decided by the Provost, there was submitted a report dated 26 March 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising that, having regard to the locations and denominations of the churches in which the Kirkin' of the Council had taken place since 1996, the Provost had determined that the Kirkin' of the Council in 2015 be held in Newarthill and Carfin Parish Church of Scotland, Newarthill on Sunday, 21 June 2015.

Decided: that the Kirkin' of the Council in 2015 would be held in the Newarthill and Carfin Parish Church of Scotland, Newarthill on Sunday, 21 June 2015.

ARMED FORCES DAY: CEREMONIAL FLAG RAISING

6. There was submitted a report dated 7 April 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising that Armed Forces Day in 2015 falls on Saturday, 27 June 2015 and recommending that the Council participate in the National Fly a Flag Campaign which requested that each local authority simultaneously hoist the Armed Forces Day Flag at 10.30 am on Monday, 22 June 2015 and keep the flag flying until midnight on Armed Forces Day.

Decided: that the Council participate in the ceremonial raising, at 10.30 am on Monday, 22 June 2015, of the specially commissioned Armed Forces Day Flag at the Council's Headquarters, Civic Centre, Motherwell, and that the flag continue to fly until midnight on Saturday, 27 June 2015.

FAR EAST PRISONERS OF WAR (FEPW) DAY

7. There was submitted a report dated 8 April 2015 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services advising of a request by the Lanarkshire Yeomanry Group that a service on Far East Prisoners of War Remembrance Day, Saturday, 15 August 2015, take place at the Memorial at the Civic Centre, Motherwell.

Decided: that a Service of Remembrance be held within the curtilage of the Civic Centre, Motherwell to commemorate the Far East Prisoner of War Day, on Saturday, 15 August 2015.
