

## **PROVOST'S SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Minute of meeting of the Provost's Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee held in the Boardroom, Ground Floor, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 20 April 2016 at 1.00pm.

Present: Provost E Grant and Councillors B Band, D Cuthbert, M Roberts and A Stewart (substituting for W Wilson).

In Attendance: G Taylor, R Hughes, C Irons and L Potter (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apology: Councillor W Wilson.

Provost E Grant, Presiding.

### **1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Provost welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies and substitutions were noted.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minute of meeting of the Provost's Sub-Committee of 24 June 2015 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

### **4. TWINNING CELEBRATIONS AND TREATY OF PERTH 19 TO 22 AUGUST 2016 VISIT**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Democratic Services (16/188) proposing to invite the Mayors of Perth's twin cities to visit Perth during the celebrations to mark the 750<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Treaty of Perth over the weekend of 19-22 August 2016, to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of twinning with Aschaffenburg, Germany; 25 years twinning with Cognac, France and Pskov, Russia and 15 years twinning with Perth, Ontario, Canada.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) The 750<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Perth in St John's Kirk, Perth be marked with a supper hosted by the Provost in St John's Kirk on Sunday 21 August 2016 for up to 130 guests.
- (ii) The Mayors of Perth's twin cities be invited to visit Perth over the weekend of 19 to 22 August 2016 to join the Treaty of Perth celebrations to mark the

- significant twinning anniversaries between Perth and Aschaffenburg, Cognac, Pskov and Perth, Ontario.
- (iii) The offer from the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo to bring the Royal Edinburgh Military Mini Tattoo to Perth on Sunday 21 August 2016 be accepted.
  - (iv) Authority be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services, in consultation with the Provost, to finalise the arrangements for the events detailed in Report 16/188.

## **5. PROPOSED TWINNING VISIT TO COGNAC, FRANCE – SEPTEMBER 2016**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Democratic Services (16/189) advising of an invitation extended to the Provost to visit Cognac, France from 2 to 4 September 2016, to celebrate the 1,000<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cognac and the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the twinning arrangements between Perth and Cognac.

### **Resolved:**

- (i) The invitation to the Provost to visit Cognac, France from 2 to 4 September 2016 be accepted.
- (ii) The Council be represented by the Provost, Depute Provost and Chief Executive, supported by the Council Officer.

## **6. PROVOST'S SUPPER – 27 JANUARY 2017**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Democratic Services (16/190) outlining a proposal to host the fifth Provost's Supper on 27 January 2017.

### **Resolved:**

- (i) The success of the first four Provost's Suppers held in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 be noted.
- (ii) A fifth Provost's Supper be held to recognise and thank those individuals who had significantly contributed to their local communities, and that the event again takes the form of a Burns Supper for approximately 135 guests, to be held on 27 January 2017, as detailed in Report 16/190.
- (iii) The offer from the Trustees of St John's Kirk, Perth to again hold the event in St John's Kirk, Perth be accepted, with the Council contributing towards the direct costs of staging the event in the Kirk.
- (iv) Authority be delegated to the Head of Democratic Services, in consultation with the Provost, to finalise the arrangements for the event.

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