

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL**Provost's Sub Committee – 26 May 2010****SCONE PALACE – VISIT BY HRH DUKE OF ROTHESAY – 1 JUNE 2010****Report by Head of Democratic Services****ABSTRACT**

His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay is visiting Perth on 1 June 2010 in celebration of the 800th anniversary year of Perth. This report seeks approval to fund the cost of a civic reception at Scone Palace in honour of the visit by His Royal Highness.

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Provost's Sub Committee approves the hosting of a civic reception at Scone Palace, to be attended by His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay, during his visit on 1 June 2010 as part of the Perth800 celebrations.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay is visiting Perth on 1 June 2010.
- 2.2 The Royal programme for the day includes a visit to Stanley Mills; a visit to a special Perth Farmers' Market and a visit to the Black Watch Museum at Balhousie Castle.
- 2.3 To complete the Royal visit, it is proposed that Perth and Kinross Council hosts a civic reception for 200 guests at Scone Palace.
- 2.4 At Scone Palace, it is proposed that His Royal Highness will be welcomed by local schoolchildren before attending the civic reception. At the civic reception, he will meet approximately 200 guests representing the community in Perth, and will plant a tree to mark his visit.

3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1 It is proposed that the Council agrees to host the civic reception for 200 guests, to be held in honour of the visit of His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay, who is visiting Perth on 1 June 2010 as part of the Perth800 celebrations.

4. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The total costs of the civic reception at Scone Palace for 200 guests are estimated to be £10,000, and can be met from the Perth800 Civic budget.

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 The Provost and the Chief Executive have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

6. COUNCIL CORPORATE PLAN OBJECTIVES 2009 – 2012

6.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2009-2012 lays out Objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation.

6.2 The proposals in this report support the following objectives.

- (i) A Safe, Secure and Welcoming Environment
- (ii) A Prosperous, Sustainable and Inclusive Economy

7. EQUALITIES ASSESSMENT (EqIA)

7.1 The function, policy, procedure or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Corporate Equalities Assessment process (EqIA) and was assessed as not relevant for the purposes of the EqIA.

8. STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

8.1 Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a legal requirement under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that applies to all plans, programmes and strategies, including policies (PPS).

8.2 The matter presented in this report was considered under the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 and no further action is required as it does not qualify as a PPS as defined by the Act and is therefore exempt.

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 It is considered appropriate for Perth and Kinross Council to host a civic reception at Scone Palace in honour of the visit of His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay, on 1 June 2010 as part of the Perth 800 celebrations.

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