

**PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL****Provost's Sub Committee – 10 February 2010****REQUEST FOR CIVIC HOSPITALITY****Report by Head of Democratic Services****ABSTRACT**

This report relates to civic hospitality during the ceremony held to grant the Freedom of the City of Perth to the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Scotland

**1. RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Sub Committee approves the request for civic hospitality as detailed in this report.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 As Members are aware, the Council has agreed to grant the Freedom of the City of Perth to the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Scotland, on 8 May 2010.

**3. PROPOSAL**

- 3.1 As part of the ceremonial event, it is proposed to hold a civic reception for approximately 250 invited guests, probably to be held at the North Inch, but the venue is dependent on the finalised route.

**4. CONSULTATION**

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

**5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The total estimated costs will be in the region of £1875
- 5.2 Subject to the availability of resources, the costs would be met from the 2010-2011 civic hospitality budget.

**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 meet the following objectives.

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

## **7. EQUALITIES ASSESSMENT**

7.1 The function, policy, procedure or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Corporate Equalities Assessment Framework and the determination was made that the items summarised in this report do not require further assessment as they do not have an impact on people's wellbeing.

## **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 plan, programme or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the determination was made that the items summarised in this report do not require further action as they do not qualify as a plan, programme or strategy as defined by the act.

## **9. CONCLUSION**

The civic reception is appropriate to this ceremonial occasion and contributes to the civic events programme for Perth800.

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No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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