

Title of meeting: Resources Portfolio

Subject: Twinning Matters

Date of meeting: Thursday 3 October 2013

Report by: Head of Customer, Community & Democratic Services

Wards affected: n/a

1. Purpose

To submit twinning related grant applications received and considered by the Twinning Advisory Group on 25 September 2013 for consideration and any other matters for decision by the portfolio holder.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that;

- (1) the portfolio holder considers the grant applications received taking into account the views of the Twinning Advisory Group and;
- (2) approves the value of each grant application
 - i. to the Caen Committee for the Caen a l'International weekend provision of small gifts of £100.
 - ii. to the Caen Committee for the Great South Run 2013 hospitality of the Caen team of £115.
 - iii. to the Caen Committee for the reimbursement French fire service visit to Portsmouth hospitality costs of £300.
- (3) Notes any other matters brought forward from the Twinning Advisory Group

3. Background

In previous years annual grants were given to the active twinning committees to facilitate their twinning related activities. Partly due to pressure on Council budgets annual grants are no longer provided to twinning committees. Instead grant applications through the Twinning Advisory Group which are considered and their recommendations are brought before the portfolio holder for decision. The Twinning Advisory Group considers grant applications it receives, balancing the benefits and priorities for Portsmouth against other projects and the resources available.

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Signed by (Head of Service)

Appendices:

1. Grant application from the Caen Committee - Caen a l'International - gifts
2. Grant application from the Caen Committee - Great South Run 2013
3. Grant application from the Caen Committee - Caen Fire service visit

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
nil	

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/ rejected by on

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Signed by: