

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

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AND DEVOLUTION CABINET MEMBER**

**APPLICATIONS OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – WINTERTON AND SAFFRE
TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider an application from the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association for financial assistance towards the costs of a recent exchange.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 At its meeting held on 18 June 1997, the council's former Policy Committee agreed that the council's approach in respect of Twinning/Linking should be to adopt an "arms length" relationship (minute 946 refers). That committee also agreed that the former Tourism and Linking Sub Committee should consider applications for informal linking activities being beneficial across North Lincolnshire. The maximum grant available was set at £200.00. On 21 July 1997 that Sub Committee had also approved criteria in respect of grant applications for linking activities which demonstrated and encouraged mutual, cultural and social awareness (minute 978 refers).
- 2.2 An application has now been received from the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association for assistance towards the cost of a visit to Saffre and Nozay, France between 20 and 27 August of this year. A group of 29 people visited Saffre and Nozay following the successful visit of a party from France in 2014.

Regular fund raising takes place to promote the twinning association and build good relationships. These recently included Appleby Fair, Winterton Show and the Winterton Lions Christmas Market. Articles were placed in the local community magazine and the association had a web page linked to the Winterton Town Council web page and also has a Facebook page. Regular monthly meetings are held with good attendance. The application received was for £200.00 towards the costs involved in the visit in August.

2.3 This is a long standing twinning arrangement involving local communities which has been running now for over 20 years. The application meets the criteria set out in minute 978 referred to above.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 To grant, or not grant the application.

4. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

4.1 There are no staffing, property or IT implications associated with the report, and in relation to the financial implications limited finances are available to support links of this kind, subject to approval.

5. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

5.1 Not Applicable.

6. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

6.1 Consultation takes place between the twinning associations and there are no conflicts of interest.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 That a grant of £200.00 made to the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association in the financial year 2015/2016.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report -

Application received from the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association