

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

**APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
WINTERTON/SAFFRE TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider an application for financial assistance towards the costs of an exchange between Winterton and Saffre.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 At its meeting held on 18 June 1997, the 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 deemed beneficial across North Lincolnshire. The maximum grant available was set at £200 and 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 been received from the Winterton/Saffre Twinning Association towards the cost of this year's visit of a group from Saffre, France. A group of around 24 people from Saffre, both regular twinning and newcomers of a variety of ages and generations, families and individuals visited North Lincolnshire. The Association organised a programme of excursions and social activities in celebration of this 20th anniversary of twinning with Saffre. The application meets the criteria set out in minute 978 referred to above.

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

- 3.1 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.

4. **OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)**

4.1 There are no other implications associated with this report.

5. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

5.1 That a grant of £200 be made to the Winterton/Saffre Twinning Association in the financial year 2012/2013.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report – Application received from the Winterton/Saffre Twinning Association.