#### NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

# LEADER AND REGENERATION CABINET MEMBER

## MAYORAL INVITATION TO CLAMART - 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF TWINNING WITH NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE

#### 1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

1.1 To consider an invitation received from Le Senateur-Maire de Clamart, France for the Mayor and Mayoress to attend the 15th anniversary of twinning with North Lincolnshire on 25-28 November 2011.

#### 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 North Lincolnshire has been officially twinned with Clamart, France since 1996 following local government reorganisation. This link was a continuation of twinning with Clamart established by the former Scunthorpe Borough in1975.
- 2.2 The two communities have continued to exchange and reinforce links over the years. Consequently, Le Senateur-Maire de Clamart, Phillipe Kaltenbach has invited the Mayor and Mayoress of North Lincolnshire to Clamart to attend their 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of twinning with North Lincolnshire, and 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Scunthorpe event. This will take place on 25-28 November 2011 in Clamart.

#### 3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Attendance at this anniversary twinning event complies with the council's agreed Mayoralty Good Practice Guide. It will also maintain and strengthen links already established with Clamart and provide a further opportunity for the Mayor to promote a strong, positive identify for North Lincolnshire and the council.
- 3.2 A formal itinerary is still being finalised by Clamart. Accommodation and meals will be provided by the host. Transport and the members' overseas allowance (agreed by council at its annual meeting in May) can be paid for from within Democratic/Mayoral Services budgets.

#### 4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 The Mayor and Mayoress attend the anniversary event and strengthen North Lincolnshire's communities' historic twinning links with Clamart.
- 4.2 Not to attend the event.

### 5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

- 5.1 Accommodation and meals will be provided by the host, Clamart. Transport and the members' overseas allowance can be paid for from within Democratic/Mayoral Services budgets.
- 5.2 There are no other resource implications associated with the report.
- 6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)
  - 6.1 There are no other implications associated with this report.

#### 7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has also been carried out with the North Lincolnshire Twinning Association whose representatives will also be attending the anniversary event.

### 8. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That the Mayor and Mayoress accept the invitation and their attendance at the anniversary twinning event in Clamart be approved.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report : None