

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

**APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – WINTERTON AND SAFFRE
TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider an application for financial assistance towards the cost of an exchange between the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association.

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 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 now been received from the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association for financial assistance towards the costs of a group of 34 visitors from Saffre and Nozsay from 19 to 25 August 2016. The visitors will be staying with hosts in the Winterton and Broughton area and is a mixed group of adults and young adults.
- 2.3 This is a long-standing twinning arrangement involving local communities who are in the process of raising money towards the costs involved. 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 Exchange visits on occasions can involve the Mayor of Lincolnshire.

6.2 There are no conflicts of interest.

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 That a grant of £200.00 be made to the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association towards the costs of the visit in August 2016.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report -

Application received from the Winterton and Saffre Town Twinning Association.