

# Report

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Report to:	<b>Corporate Resources Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>15 February 2012</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Support for Help for Heroes Fundraising Dinner</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ advise on action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c) because of the timescales involved, to approve Council support in the organisation of a fundraising dinner in aid of the Help for Heroes Charity

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member to support a fundraising dinner in aid of the Help for Heroes Charity, as detailed in paragraph 3 of this report, be noted.

## 3. Background

- 3.1. The Help for Heroes Charity had made an approach to the Council through a local soldier who was injured when serving in Afghanistan.
- 3.2. His proposal was to hold a dinner in the Council's Banqueting Hall on 16 March 2012 and to sell tables to the business community and to other organisations in order to raise funds which can be directly passed to the Help for Heroes Charity Campaign.
- 3.3. To maximise the financial benefit from the event, a request has been made that the Council assist in hosting the event, by meeting the cost of providing the food at the dinner and by meeting the costs associated with hiring the Banqueting Hall.
- 3.4. It is estimated that the cost of providing this support will be in the region of £6,000 based on 220 attendees (22 tables of 10 people is the upper limit in the Banqueting Hall for this type of event).

## 4. Current Position

- 4.1. It should be noted that, since support of the event had been approved in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), it had become apparent that 16 March 2012 was no longer suitable and a request had been submitted to the Council to identify an alternative date later in the year.

## **5. Additional Information**

- 5.1. In terms of the Council's Scheme of Delegation, delegated authority is provided to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) to approve any civic event with an estimated cost up to £3,000. Obviously, the estimated costs of this event will exceed that amount and therefore formal approval was required.

## **6. Employee Implications**

- 6.1. There are no employee implications associated with the recommendations.

## **7. Financial Implications**

- 7.1. The financial implications are outlined in paragraph 3.4 of this report.

## **8. Other Implications**

- 8.1. There are no significant issues in terms of risk or sustainability associated with the recommendations in this report.

## **9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 9.1. The report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment was necessary.
- 9.2. There is no requirement to carry out any significant consultation in terms of the recommendations contained in this report.

**Paul Manning**

**Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)**

26 January 2012

## **Link(s) to Council Objectives/Improvement Themes/Values**

- ◆ People focused
- ◆ Tackling disadvantage and deprivation

## **Previous References**

None

## **List of Background Papers**

Request made to Council

## **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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