Nottinghamshire County Council **Report to Policy Committee**

4 June 2014

Agenda Item: 10

REPORT OF THE LEADER

COUNTY COUNCIL CIVIC SERVICE, 20 JULY 2014

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval for hospitality at the County Council Civic Service at St Paul's Church, Daybrook on Sunday, 20 July 2014 at 3.00 pm.

Information and Advice

- 2. This year, the County Council's Civic Service will take place at St Paul's Church, Daybrook, where the Vicar is the Chairman's Chaplain, Rev. Sally Baylis.
- 3. The service will be on a smaller scale than in previous years, when the venue was Southwell Minster. The guest list will include the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, County Coroner, Civic Heads, County Council members and representatives of District and Borough Councils.
- 4. Hospitality is provided at the discretion of the Chairman, and will take the form of tea and sparkling wine to be served at St Paul's Church Hall after the service. The estimated cost of this is £700. In addition, there are the costs of printing the order of service and flowers, estimated at £300, which gives a total estimated cost of £1,000 to be met from the County Hospitality budget. This represents a considerable saving compared with previous years. For example, the cost of the 2013 Civic Service was £2,587.

Other Options Considered

5. Consideration has been given to not providing hospitality at the Civic Service, and of not holding a Civic Service at all. It is felt appropriate that the County Council should continue the tradition of hosting such an event where this is the Chairman's wish.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To provide hospitality for guests at the Civic Service.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications

are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost of £1,000 outlined in paragraph 4 can be met from the County Hospitality budget.

RECOMMENDATION/S

1) That approval be given to the estimated costs of £1,000 in connection with the Civic Service on 27 July 2014 at St Paul's Church, Daybrook being met from the County Hospitality budget.

Councillor Alan Rhodes Leader of the County Council

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 14/05/2014)

8. Policy Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

Financial Comments (SEM 14/05/14)

9. The financial implications are set out in the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

• All