

Agenda Item: 5(b)**REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES****CIVIC RECEPTION FOR ABBEY ROAD SCHOOL AND INTERNATIONAL
PARTNER SCHOOLS TO CELEBRATE THE FINAL MEETING OF THE
MULTILATERAL COMENIUS PROJECT****Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek approval for a Civic Reception for teachers and students from Abbey Road School and International Partner schools.

Information and Advice

2. The Multilateral Comenius project 'All Singing, All Dancing' has shared its theme the oral traditions of children, with the four partner countries, England, Poland, Italy and Spain. Abbey Road School in West Bridgford are hosting a visit from the teachers and students from the international schools for the final meeting of the project. As part of the visit a Civic reception at County Hall has been requested on Friday, 22 March 2013, in the form of a lunchtime buffet with tea, coffee and juice.
3. Comenius is the European Union's education programme for schools and colleges. It funds collaboration between pupils and teachers across Europe and supports school improvement and attainment. The schools involved make links with others schools and colleges in other European countries to learn about different educational environment and provide opportunities which cover all curriculum subjects.

Financial Implications

4. The cost of the reception for approximately 97 teachers and pupils will be £750.00 from the County Hospitality budget.

Reason for Recommendation

5. To provide a Civic welcome and hospitality at County Hall for the international visitors.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such

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

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that approval be given for the Chairman to host a lunchtime reception at County Hall on Friday, 22 March 2013 for the teachers and pupils involved in the Multilateral Comenius project.

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Constitutional Comments (SG 10/01/2013)

7. The Committee is the appropriate body to decide the issues set out in this report. The Committee has responsibility for authorising hospitality to be offered by the County Council under the Terms of Reference (paragraph 55(d.))

Financial Comments (MB 10/01/13)

8. The financial implications are set out in paragraph 3 of the report.

Background Papers

Email dated November 2012 from the Head teacher Abbey Road School.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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