

meeting ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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#### REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBERS SERVICES

# 80th Anniversary of the Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council

### 1. Purpose of the Report

To request that the Administration Committee consider a reception to acknowledge the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council.

### **Background**

- 2. The Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council forms part of the national network of Rural Community Councils ACRE and is a charity that aims to improve the quality of life for all sections of the rural community, and ensure that no individual is excluded from the benefits of that work by reason of difference or disadvantage.
- 2.1 The Rural Community Council works with a wide range of partners working to improve services to rural communities; their activities cover transport, retail services, economic regeneration, health, village halls, community resource centres and ICT. They carry out extensive work with local communities to identify needs and assist them in working out solutions. By working closely with other organisations at county, district and regional level they ensure that the concerns of rural communities are fed through into policy making and the implementation of services.
- 2.2 The Chairman of the County Council has requested a Buffet Reception for 175 guests at an estimated cost of £2,625 for the buffet and £250 for photographs of the event on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October as the County Council's acknowledgement of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council

#### Recommendation

3. That the Committee consider the granting of a buffet reception for approximately 175 guests at an estimated total cost of £2,875 on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 to be met from the County Hospitality Budget in recognition of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council

Patricia Mayfield Head of Members Services Committee

### **Head of Legal Services' Comments (KK)**

The Administration Committee is responsible for authorising hospitality to be offered by the County Council. The proposal in this report is therefore within the remit of this Committee.

## **Director of Resources Financial Comments (R/MB)**

The financial implications are as outlined in the report.

# **Background Papers**

NIL