

report



meeting **Administration Committee**

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agenda item number

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBERS SERVICES

Presentation of Awards Evening – Nottinghamshire County Scout Council.

1. Purpose of the Report

To agree arrangements for the presentation of Scouting Awards in the Assembly Hall, County Hall on the evening of Thursday 2nd February 2006

Background

2. The Chairman of the County Council has received a letter from the Assistant District Commissioner requesting that the County Council host the presentation of Scouting Awards to varying age groups from Beaver Scout Colony aged 6 and 7 to Scout Network Unit which caters for young people between the ages of 18 and 25 years. This would involve light refreshments in the form of tea/coffee/soft drinks for approx. 170 at a cost per head of £1.70. making a total cost of £289.

The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

They set out to provide a wide variety of activities, with Scouts progressing through a Challenge and Award Scheme, which gives them basic skills to take up more adventurous and challenging activities later on. The Challenges and Awards are geared to the age range and encourage Scouts to take on more stretching activities as they grow.

The Scout Association is organised at four levels

- The Scout Group

- The Scout District
- The Scout County
- National Headquarters

Each level operates independently with the larger unit providing facilities and activities beyond the resources of the smaller.

There are several important things which make Scouting different from many other youth organisations –

- They are a uniformed movement
- They use Sixes and Patrols of about six young people working together, learning from and supporting each other
- They involve young people in decision-making as part of their development

Recommendation

3. That Admin Committee approve the provision of light refreshments on Thursday 2nd February, 2006 for approx. 170 people made up of children, parents and leaders as outlined in the report, with the estimated cost of £289. being met from the County Hospitality Budget.

Patricia Holt-Murphy
Head of Members Services

Legal Services' Comments (KK)

The Administration Committee has the delegated authority to authorised hospitality to be offered by the County Council. The proposal in this report is within the remit of this Committee.

Director of Resources Financial Comments (MB)

The financial implications are as outlined in the report.

Background Papers

Letter from Ian Cotterill Assistant District Commissioner