
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

12th October, 2005

Report of
Cllr Kevin Foster Cabinet Member (City Services)

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Annie Bettmann Foundation

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 At their meeting on 10th May, 2005, the Cabinet approved a process of reporting back to the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee on the work of those outside bodies appointed to by the City Council. This reports sets out details of the work of Annie Bettmann Foundation over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Council should continue to appoint representatives to the Foundation, however unless there is a particular requirement under the Foundation's rules for an elected member to be appointed an appropriate officer or community figure should be considered.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The Foundation is a Trust fund that is administered by a local Solicitors firm and is run by a Board of Trustees. The Foundation makes grants to young people who are looking to undertake training or trying to get started in business.
- 3.2 Those who apply for grants have to fill in an application form and are invited for interview by the board.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

- 4.1 Whilst membership of the Foundation does allow the Council influence over how the funds of this Foundation are used there are no direct benefits to the City Council from the appointment.
- 4.2 The work of the Foundation does contribute to Council policies on promoting training and employment.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

5.1 The Foundation did not consult members diaries prior to setting the date and time for the July meeting. This meant that both Cllr Foster and Cllr Harrison were unable to attend due to prior commitments. This was brought to the attention of the foundation in advance of the meeting, however they were unprepared to move the date or time of the meeting to facilitate attendance.

5.2 There is no remuneration for the appointment.

List of background papers

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