
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

15th March, 2006

Report of
Councillor Christian Cliffe

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Coventry Fair-trade Steering Group

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 the Coventry Fair-trade Steering committee 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 two representatives to the group.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The group promotes Fair Trade across the City of Coventry and is responsible for co-ordinating the city's fair trade status.
- 3.2 The City of Coventry was awarded Fair Trade City Status in February 2005 as a result of the work of the group.
- 3.3 Members of the steering group include representatives from:
- CAFOD
 - Coventry City Council (Cllrs Christian Cliffe and Phil Townshend)
 - Coventry Diocese
 - Coventry University
 - Heart of England Co-operative
 - Oxfam
 - University of Warwick

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

- 4.1 Although there are no direct benefits to the Council, the work of the group promotes the city and it is a requirement of Fair Trade City Status for the council to be actively involved in the promotion of Fair Trade.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

5.1 Councillors Cliffe and Townshend are the City Council representatives on the Coventry Fair-Trade Steering Group. Over the previous twelve months there have been 4 meetings of the group of which Councillor Cliffe has attended 2 and sent a substitute to 1 and Councillor Townshend has attended 0.

5.2 There is no remuneration association with this appointment.

List of background papers

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