
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

19th April, 2006

Report of
Councillor Lee

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Coventry General Charities Trustees

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 Coventry General Charity Trustees over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

2.1 As the body administers a number of old city charities on our behalf, I consider that it is important to keep the level of involvement as present. It also brings to light the problems of the poorest in our society, and how we can, albeit on a small basis, help and assist.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

3.1 The current elected attendees are Myself, Cllrs Mrs Johnson, Mrs. Noonan, Crookes and Harrison.

3.2 The current meeting schedule for councillors is as follows

- 3 consecutive monthly meetings per councillor at the eleemosynary (fund assessment and allocation) panel. This is spread out over the year
- 12 monthly board meetings, at which all are expected to attend to endorse the actions of all the different sub committees.
- Councillors are not required on property or finance.

3.3 The current assets are £7.9m (as at 2004/5), and in my opinion are well managed and administered.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 As explained above this is an historic appointment, but it is important to keep associated.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

5.1 Councillors Crookes (who replaced Councillor Mrs Maskell at the Council meeting on 17th January, 2006), Harrison (who replaced Mrs Rosher at the Council meeting on 13th September, 2005), Mrs Johnson, Lee, H Noonan, Mr Richards, Mrs Eaves, Mr Robinson and Mr Thomson are the current City Council representatives on the Coventry General Charity Trustees. Over the past twelve months there have been twelve meetings of the Board, each Councillor is required to attend three consecutive meetings of the eleemosynary spread out over the year. Attendance records are as set out below:-

Representative	Attendance (Board)	Attendance (Eleemosynary)
Councillor Crookes	1 of 1	0 of 0
Councillor Harrison	1 of 5	1 of 4
Councillor Mrs Johnson	8 of 12	3 of 5
Councillor Lee	10 of 12	1 of 1
Councillor Mrs Maskell	4 of 11	0 of 3
Councillor H Noonan	9 of 12	3 of 3
Mrs Rosher	0 of 7	0 of 0
Mr Richards	5 of 12	1 of 3
Mrs Eaves	9 of 12	10 of 12
Mr Robinson	11 of 12	3 of 3
Mr Thomsons	10 of 12	3 of 3

5.2 There is no remuneration associated with this appointment

List of background papers

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