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REPORT TO: Members' Library Service

MEETING DATE:

BY: Acting Service Manager, Economic Development

SUBJECT: Twinning Association Grant Allocation 2019/2020

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To note East Lothian Twinning Associations' grant allocation for 2019/2020.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To note the grant allocation.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As part of the Service's remit for twinning, ongoing assistance is provided to each of East Lothian's Twinning Associations in Dunbar, Haddington, Musselburgh and the Preston Seton Gosford cluster.
- 3.2 Twinning Associations' roles are to establish and maintain friendly relations with their counterparts and through that friendship pursue the promotion of cultural, educational, social, economic, tourist, youth and sporting exchanges, in the interests of the inhabitants of their communities.
- 3.3 Each Twinning Association is asked to provide a breakdown of activities which informs the decision on the amount of funding the association will receive for the forthcoming financial year.
- 3.4 Based on the information provided it is proposed to offer each association the following level of grant:-

Dunbar & District Twinning Association - £1,000

Haddington Twinning Association - £1,000

Musselburgh Twinning Association - £500

Preston Seton Gosford Twinning Association - £500

3.5 The grant awarded must be reflected within each Association's yearly annual report and accounts and a copy of these must be submitted for council records.

3.6 Each Association can still apply for grants under the discretionary grant scheme under exceptional circumstances whereby the one-off grant is exhausted or otherwise committed.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Opportunity to strengthen twinning activities.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 This report is not applicable to the wellbeing of equalities groups and therefore an Equality Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial - The grants will be met from the Service's Twinning budget allocation

6.2 Personnel - None

6.3 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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