

ANGUS COUNCIL

CONTRACT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 18 AUGUST 1998

1998 COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN KUALA LUMPUR

REPORT BY CONTRACT SERVICES MANAGER

ITEM No. 4**ABSTRACT**

To homologate the decision taken concerning representation at the 1998 Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Contract Services Manager's decision to allow paid leave of absence to represent Scotland at the Commonwealth Games be homologated.

2. BACKGROUND

Whereas Angus District Council had a formalised procedure for representation at major athletic events Tayside Regional Council did not and Angus Council has so far not taken a formal view, the 1998 Commonwealth Games being the first major athletic event since the re-organisation of Scottish Local Government.

An employee of Contract Services has been selected to represent Scotland in Kuala Lumpur in September 1998. She has requested that she be granted paid leave for both preparation and competition in the event.

After discussion with the Director of Personnel and the Service Convener, the Contract Services Manager decided that time off with pay should be granted for the duration of the Commonwealth Games but not for preparation time for the Games. For the latter, it has been proposed that time off with pay should be granted providing this does not interfere with the day-to-day running of the department and that the hours will be made up within the current financial year.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are financial implications inasmuch that paid leave of absence will be granted for the duration of the Commonwealth Games which can be met within the departmental estimates. Additional costs in covering the work amount to approximately £200 which can be accommodated within Contract Services' annual estimates.

4. CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Law and Administration and the Director of Personnel have been consulted on the preparation of this report.

M P Graham
Contract Services Manager
28 July 1998

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.