

**ANGUS COUNCIL**  
**HOUSING COMMITTEE – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2004**  
**ANGUS COUNCIL HOUSE GARDEN COMPETITION**

**REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF HOUSING**

**ABSTRACT**

This Report outlines the format for the 2004 Council House Garden Competition including arrangements for the prize-giving ceremony.

**1. RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee note the arrangements in place for the 2004 Council House Garden Competition.

**2. INTRODUCTION**

It is proposed that the 2004 Garden Competition, similar to last year, is judged on a geographical basis, i.e. 7 Burgh areas and 3 Landward areas each with a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizewinner with an additional prize for the overall winner. In addition the section for disabled tenants and the Director's Special Award brings the total number of prizes to 35 (see Appendix 1).

As in previous years, tenants will be invited to enter their gardens in the competition with the entry forms being printed in the Summer edition of Housing News, due to be issued to tenants of mainstream properties in June of this year (The Sheltered Housing issue of Housing News will not feature the Garden Competition entry form).

Posters will also be placed in ACCESS/Housing Offices to further publicise the competition.

The budget allocation for the Garden Competition is £600.

The competition will be judged by Leisure Services staff during the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> July 2003.

**3. PRIZEGIVING CEREMONY FOR THE 2003 COUNCIL HOUSE GARDEN COMPETITION**

As in previous years the 1<sup>st</sup> prize winners only in each of the sections (including the overall winner and the winner of the Director's Special Award) will be invited to the prize-giving ceremony, which will be held in Forfar. As the ceremony is usually held on the same day as the Housing Committee meeting, final arrangements will be made once the date of the Housing Committee Meeting in October has been agreed.

A representative from each local office will be invited and Elected Members are welcome to attend the Ceremony. A buffet will be provided.

Local arrangements will be made to present the prizes to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The total cost of the Garden Competition, including the prize giving ceremony for the first prizewinners is approximately £980. This consists of £710 in prize money, printing costs of £150 and an approximate cost of £60 for engraving. Catering costs are estimated to be in the region of £60.

As the competition will be advertised through a poster campaign and in the newsletter issued to tenants, there will be no costs incurred through advertisements in the local press.

The overspend of around £380 will be accommodated within the Housing Revenue Account.

#### **5. CONSULTATION**

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law and Administration, the Director of Finance and the Director of Leisure Services have been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

#### **6. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

There are no Human Rights implications arising from this Report.

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No background papers, as defined by Section 50 D 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.