DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH

HALESOWEN AREA COMMITTEE - 02 FEBRUARY 2005

REPORT OF THE CULTURE AND RECREATION SELECT COMMITTEE

1. PURPOSE

1.1 To seek the views of the Halesowen Area Committee on the proposed Dudley MBC Commemorative Plaque Scheme.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 There is currently no policy within the borough for statues, monuments and memorials. As a consequence of this the Culture & Recreation Select Committee have developed the following draft documents:-
 - Dudley MBC Commemorative Plaque Policy.
 - An Information Leaflet & Application Form.

These are attached as Appendices 1 and 2.

2.2 The views of all Area Committees are being sought.

3. PROPOSAL

3.1 That the views of the Halesowen Area Committee are sought before the policy is presented to the Cabinet.

4. FINANCE

- 4.1 An administrative fee of £50 + VAT will be charged for processing each application.
- 4.2 All other direct costs associated with the implementation of the policy will be paid by the applicant.

LAW

5.1 Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000 enables the Council to consider anything which is likely to achieve the promotion or improvement of the economic, social or environmental well-being of any part of the borough.

6. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

6.1 The proposals take into account the Council's equality and diversity policy.

7. RECOMMENDATION

7.1 That the proposal contained in 3.1 be approved.

8. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

8.1 Culture and Recreation Select Committee reports 8th July 2004 & 11th November 2004.

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