

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL23 March 2016Report by Deputy Chief ExecutivePROVOST'S ENGAGEMENTS**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To advise the Council of a number of civic engagements attended by and civic duties performed by Provost Carmichael since the last meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

2. That the report be noted.

**REPORT**

3. Since the last meeting of the Council, the Provost has attended a number of civic engagements on behalf of the Council and carried out a number of civic duties. Details are as follows:-

25 February – Attended the McAdam Paintings Hanging Ceremony, Busby Library

25 February – Attended the Mactaggart & Mickel Showhomes Launch, Newton Mearns

3 March – Attended the Induction Service of Rev Andrew Robertson, Eaglesham Parish Church

6 March – Visited a couple celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversary, Orchard Park Hotel

7 March – Attended a Citizenship Ceremony welcoming 9 new people to East Renfrewshire

11 March – Attended Clarkston & District Christian Aid Committee Art Exhibition, Carmichael Hall

13 March – Attended at a constituent's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration

14 March – Attended the Commonwealth Flag Raising Ceremony, Council Headquarters

14 March – Hosted afternoon tea for a Holocaust survivor

15 March – Attended at a couple's celebration of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary

17 March – Attended the NPA Professional Cookery Banquet, Carmichael Hall

18 March – Hosted a lunch for the East Renfrewshire Council Provost's Citizen of the Year Winner 2015

21 March – Attended a Citizenship Ceremony welcoming 17 new people to East Renfrewshire

## P7 School debates

22 February – Giffnock P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that Windfarms should be built in Scotland”, assisted by Councillor Fletcher.

24 February – Giffnock P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that Windfarms should be built in Scotland”, assisted by Councillor Waters

26 February – Carlibar P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that a wider range of technology should be used in schools”, assisted by Councillor Hay

29 February – Netherlee P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that homework should be banned for primary school children”, assisted by Councillor Robertson

2 March – Crookfur P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that primary school children should have only 1 hour of screen time a day”, assisted by Councillor O’Kane

4 March – Netherlee P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that children should do chores around the home”, assisted by Councillor Robertson

7 March – Cross Arthurlie P7 Debate, Council Chamber, debating “This house believes that the amount of time children spend on-line should be limited” assisted by Council Hay

11 March - Cross Arthurlie P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This house believes that technology is ruining family life" assisted by Cllr O’Kane

15 March - OLM P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that all UK citizens should be allowed to carry a gun" assisted by Cllr Fletcher

16 March - OLM P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating “This House believes that all nuclear weapons should be removed from Britain” assisted by Cllr Waters

18 March - OLM P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that all UK police officers should carry fire arms" assisted by Cllr Waters

22 March - OLM P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that animal testing should be banned" assisted by Cllr Fletcher

23 March - Netherlee P7 Debate, Council Chamber debating "This House believes that children should get paid to attend school" assisted by Cllr Robertson

## Other School events

25 February – Attended a Brass Concert, Barrhead Burgh Band and Croy Brass Band, Carlibar Primary School

**RECOMMENDATION**

4. That the report be noted.

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Background papers

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