

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

5 APRIL 2017

AGENDA ITEM C9

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR MAYORAL VISIT TO MESSINES

Purpose of Report

To present for financial information for Mayoral attendance at the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Messines for councillor approval.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the financial information for the Mayoral Visit to Messines Report.*
2. *Approve Mayoral travel to Messines as South Wairarapa representative at the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Messines.*
3. *Approve a budget of up to \$3,500 for this trip.*

1. Executive Summary

The 100th anniversary of the Battle of Messines will be held in Messines early June 2017.

South Wairarapa, and in particular Featherston, has a close relationship with Messines, and it is important events of this significance are suitably acknowledged.

A budget of up to \$3,500 is recommended, known pricing to date is as follows:

Mayors visit to Messines	Budget
Airfare	\$2192.00
Accommodation(this is subject to the exchange rate at the time)	\$452.00
Transport in Belgium	\$180.00
Total	\$2824.00

It is prudent to allow an additional amount for unforeseen costs which may be incurred or required on a trip of this nature.

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