

## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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COMMITTEE	<b>Education, Culture and Sport</b>
DATE	<b>18 November 2010</b>
DIRECTOR	<b>Annette Bruton</b>
TITLE OF REPORT	<b>Loan of painting by Jack Vettriano</b>
REPORT NUMBER:	<b>ECS/10/101</b>

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### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report updates the committee on the amended motion agreed by the Education Culture and Sport committee at its last meeting (16 September 2010 Article 3.1):

“To instruct officers to pursue the option of securing an appropriate Vettriano painting on loan to be hung in Aberdeen Art Gallery and report back on that.”

### **2. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 1) That the committee notes the progress made to secure a painting by Jack Vettriano on loan.

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are nominal financial implications relating to the cost of collecting the work, carrying out a condition check and packing it safely for transit. These costs will be borne by the Museums and Galleries revenue budget. The cost of adding insurance cover to the Works of Art insurance premium is also minimal, but in the unlikely event of damage to the work whilst on display, the council would be required to meet the cost of the policy excess, £2,500.

### **4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

The report has implications for staffing time and resources as officer time was required to make a site visit to assess the loan, agree terms and conditions with the lender, to collect the painting and to install it within the Art Gallery. There are no plans at present to reproduce the painting, however if this should change copyright clearance would be required and may necessitate the payment of a copyright fee

## **5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES**

Following the committee meeting in September, officers entered into negotiations with a private collector in Aberdeen who had previously expressed an interest in lending an original oil painting by Jack Vettriano to the Art Gallery.

The lender has agreed to make the painting available for a period of time up to, but not exceeding, five years.

The painting will go on display in the front entrance area of the Art Gallery in November 2010. A verbal update on the precise date will be provided at the committee meeting.

## **7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Background Report to Councillor Jennifer Stewart's motion, Education Culture and Sport 16 September 2010.

## **8. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS**

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