ROYAL GARDEN PARTIES

1 SUMMARY

1.1 An invitation has been received for the Council to appoint two representatives, including partners, to attend one of this year's Royal Garden Parties to be held in July. The allocation for 2002 has been reduced to two, rather than the customary four. The Queen has decided that during her jubilee year, half the guests will be invited on a special theme, namely; those born on Accession Day, Young people aged between 18 and 25 years and Her Majesty's and the Duke of Edinburgh's Patronages.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The procedure in previous years has been for nominations to be given In strict order of seniority, based on Members total length of service, excluding those members who have already attended a Garden Party as a representative of Rochford District Council, and those who have no wish to attend.

3 OPTIONS

3.1 Excluding those who have previously attended or have no wish to Attend, the most senior member (7 years service) is Councillor V H Leach.

4 **RECOMMENDATION**

It is proposed that Council **RESOLVES**

To nominate a representative plus partner to attend one of the Royal Garden Parties to be held in July, and indicate the order of preference for the supplied dates of Tuesday 9th July, Tuesday 16th July and Tuesday 30th July.

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Background Papers:

Local Government Association Circular

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