

## CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 4, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 11 February 2020

**Chair:**

Councillor Peter Craig

**Councillors Present:**

Councillor Jackie Burns, Councillor Maureen Chalmers (Depute), Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Kenny McCreary

**Attending:**

**Finance and Corporate Resources**

L Cunningham, Members' Services Manager; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

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### 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

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### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Conference Allocation Committee held on 19 November 2019 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

**The Committee decided:** that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

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### 3 Elected Member Representation at Conferences, etc

A report dated 3 February 2020 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted providing details of conferences/seminars which the Council had been invited to attend.

**The Committee decided:**

(1) that the Council be represented at the following conferences/seminars:-

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue	Representation
(a) Catholic Education Service/Church of Scotland: "Looking Forward to 2021"	24 April 2020 Coatbridge	G Coulter and J Mulligan, religious representatives on the Education Resources Committee
(b) MacKay Hannah: "Inaugural Scottish Care of Older People Show"	2 June 2020 Edinburgh	Councillor McGuigan

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#### **4 Elected Member Representation at Conferences, etc Dealt with in Terms of Standing Order No 36(c)**

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A report dated 17 December 2019 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c) because of the timescales involved, by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to approve member attendance at a conference.

**The Committee decided:**

that the action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to approve the attendance of Councillor Falconer at the “Environment/Climate Change” conference organised by the National Association of Councillors (NAC) to be held in Ripon, Yorkshire between 24 and 26 January 2020, be noted.

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#### **5 Item of Urgent Business – Elected Member Representation at Conferences – Late Notice of Additional Conference**

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In view of the requirement to deal with this matter and to allow arrangements for elected member representation to be made in advance of the date of the conference, the Chair decided, in terms of Standing Order No 4, that consideration be given to member representation as a matter of urgency at the “Anti-Social Behaviour and Hate Crime” conference organised by the National Association of Councillors (NAC) to be held in Glasgow between 28 February and 1 March 2020.

**The Committee decided:**

that the Council be represented by Councillor Falconer at the “Anti-Social Behaviour and Hate Crime” conference organised by the National Association of Councillors to be held in Glasgow between 28 February and 1 March 2020.