CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 4, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 9 April 2008

Chair:

Councillor Jim Docherty

Councillors Present:

Alex McInnes, John Murray, David Watson

Councillors' Apologies:

Anne Maggs, Michael McCann (Depute)

Attending:

Corporate Resources

S Abbott, Administration Assistant; L Cunningham, Member Services Manager; M Goodwin, Research and Information Assistant

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Conference Allocation Committee held on 20 February 2008 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Elected Member Representation at Conferences, etc.

A report dated 2 April 2008 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted providing details on various conferences and seminars which the Council had been invited to attend.

The Committee decided:

Seminar or Conference

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

(a)	National Association of Councillors (NAC): Regeneration and Housing Conference	11 to 13 April 2008 Scarborough	Councillors Lowe and McInnes
(b)	Neil Stewart Associates: "Developing Services for Gypsies and Travellers 2008 – Providing Sites and Security of Tenure"	15 May 2008 London	Councillor McCann

Date and Venue

Representation

(2) that the Council be not represented at the "Working it Out – Developing the Children's Sector Workforce" conference organised by Children in Scotland, the Scottish Institute for Residential Child Care (SIRCC) and The Scottish Government to take place in Edinburgh on 30 April 2008.

4 Elected Member Representation at Conference Dealt with in Terms of Standing Order No 36(c)

A report dated 2 April 2008 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c) in view of the timescales involved, by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to approve member attendance at the "Managing the Transition" – 1st Annual Licensing Board Chairs' conference.

The Committee decided:

that the action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to approve the attendance of Councillors Allison, Dunsmuir, B McKenna and A M Mitchell at the "Managing the Transition" — 1st Annual Licensing Board Chairs' conference organised by MacKay Hannah held in Glasgow on 19 March 2008, be noted.

5 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.