CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams and in the Corporate Dining Room, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 22 September 2020

Chair:

Councillor Peter Craig

Councillors Present:

Councillor Maureen Chalmers (Depute), Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Kenny McCreary

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

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

1	Declaration of Interests The following interest was declared:-			
	Councillor(s)	Item(s)	Nature of Interest(s)	
	Chalmers	 Elected Member Representation at Conferences etc:- Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA): "Understanding the Impact of COVID-19 on your Council" Centre for Local Economic Strategies: "Community Wealth Building Summit" 	Personal interest	

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Conference Allocation Committee held on 11 February 2020 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 14 September 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

 (a) Scotland Policy Conference:
 "Next Steps for Adult Social Care in Scotland – Quality, Support and Developing Effective Models of Care" Date and Venue 7 October 2020 Online Representation Councillor Donnelly

(b)	Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA): "Understanding the Impact of COVID-19 on your Council"	9 October 2020 Online	Councillor Chalmers
(c)	Centre for Local Economic Strategies (CLES): Community Wealth Building Summit	5 November 2020 Online	Councillors Chalmers and Ross

Councillor Chalmers, having declared an interest conferences (b) and (c) above, withdrew from the meeting during consideration of this item of business

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

A report dated 11 May 2020 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 online training for Councillor Callaghan entitled "Beyond Coronavirus: A New Type of Culture for a New Type of Authority – The Role of Organisational Development" organised by the Local Government Information Unit (LGU) which took place on various dates, namely 25 June 2020, 2 July 2020 and 9 July 2020, be noted.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.