

## CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 4, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 4 February 2009

**Chair:**

Councillor Jim Docherty

**Councillors Present:**

Anne Maggs, Michael McCann (Depute), Alex McInnes, John Murray, David Watson

**Attending:**

S Abbott and G Cochran, Administration Assistants; L Cunningham, Member Services Manager

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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 10 December 2008 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 28 January 2009 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted providing details on various conferences which the Council had been invited to attend.

**The Committee decided:**

(1) that the Council be represented by Councillor Burns at the:-

- ◆ “Developing an Integrated Children’s Services Workforce” conference organised by the Local Government Chronicle (LGC) to be held in London on 10 February 2009
- ◆ “National Youth Work Conference 2009” organised by YouthLink Scotland to be held in Dunblane on 3 March 2009; and

(2) that the Council be not represented at the “Working it Out – Helping to Shape the Future of the Children’s Sector Workforce” conference organised by Children in Scotland to take place in Edinburgh on 4 March 2009.

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

A report dated 28 January 2009 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c) because of the timescales involved, by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to approve the attendance of Councillor McGuigan at the “Looked after Children and Young People - Ensuring the Achievement of Potential” conference organised by Holyrood Events held in Edinburgh on 27 January 2009.

Representation at the conference had previously been considered at the meeting of the Committee on 10 December 2008. However, in light of further nominations to attend the conference, the Chair, in terms of Standing Order No 17, had decided that representation at the conference be given further consideration.

**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 Councillor McGuigan at the “Looked after Children and Young People - Ensuring the Achievement of Potential” conference organised by Holyrood Events held in Edinburgh on 27 January 2009, be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 10 December 2008 (Paragraph 3)]*

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## **5 Urgent Business**

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There were no items of urgent business.