

CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 4, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 26 March 2019

Chair:

Councillor Peter Craig

Councillors Present:

Councillor Walter Brogan, Councillor Maureen Chalmers (Depute), Councillor Fiona Dryburgh, Councillor Mark McGeever

Councillor's Apology:

Councillor Sheena Wardhaugh

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

S Abbott, Administration Assistant; L Cunningham, Members' Services Manager

1 Declaration of Interests

The following interest was declared:-

Councillor(s)	Item(s)	Nature of Interest(s)
McGeever	Item of Urgent Business – Representation at the “Scottish National Standardised Assessment – to Test or Not to Test?” conference	Personal

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Conference Allocation Committee held on 26 February 2019 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 18 March 2019 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) Scottish Throughcare and Aftercare Forum (STAF): A Day with Dr Karen Treisman	8 May 2019 Glasgow	Councillor Callaghan
(b) Holyrood Events: “Kirsty in Adversity” - Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC)”	9 May 2019 Edinburgh	Councillors Loudon and Nailon

4 Item of Urgent Business – Representation at the “Scottish National Standardised Assessment – to Test or Not to Test?” Conference

Representation at the “Scottish National Standardised Assessment – to Test or Not to Test?” conference to take place in Edinburgh on 23 April 2019 had been considered at the meeting of this Committee on 26 February 2019. The Committee decided that the Council be represented at the conference by Councillor Hamilton. However, in light of a further nomination to attend the conference, the Chair, in terms of Standing Order No 17, had decided that further representation at the conference be given consideration.

The Committee decided: that the Council’s representation be extended to include Councillor McGeever at the “Scottish National Standardised Assessment – to Test or Not to Test?” conference to take place in Edinburgh on 23 April 2019.

[Reference: Minutes of 26 February 2019 (Paragraph 3)]

Councillor McGeever, having declared an interest in the above item, withdrew from the meeting during its consideration