

CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 4, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 3 September 2008

Chair:

Councillor Jim Docherty

Councillors Present:

Anne Maggs, Alex McInnes, John Murray, David Watson

Councillor's Apology:

Michael McCann

Attending:

Corporate Resources

S Abbott, Administration Assistant; L Cunningham, Member Services Manager

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 2 July 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 27 August 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:

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

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue	Representation
(a) MacKay Hannah Limited: "Joining up the Scottish Justice System"	15 September 2008 Edinburgh	Councillor Campbell
(b) Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO): "Building Bridges – National ACPO Children and Young People's Conference 2008"	24 and 25 September 2008 Bristol	Councillor Burns

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue	Representation
(c) Holyrood Conferences and Events: "Scotland's Dysfunctional Relationship – Alcohol and Violence"	6 October 2008 Edinburgh	Councillors Murray and B Thomson

(2) that the Council be not represented at the following conferences and seminars:-

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue
(a) Scottish Accident Prevention Council: 59th Annual Conference	8 and 9 September 2008 Airth
(b) Strathclyde Police: "Violence Reduction Alliance Seminar 8 – Agency Responses to Perpetrators and Victims of Crime"	17 September 2008 Glasgow
(c) MacKay Hannah: "Reoffending in Scotland – User Voice"	18 September 2008 Edinburgh
(d) Holyrood Conferences and Events: "Successful Scotland – The Way Forward for Single Outcome Agreements"	30 September 2008 Edinburgh
(e) Scottish Housing and Support Conference (SHASC)	2 October 2008 Edinburgh
(f) Scottish Pre-school Play Association (SPPA): "Young and Healthy in Scotland"	14 November 2008 Glasgow
(g) Environment Agency: "Environmental Futures 08 – Creating the Climate for Change"	24 and 25 November 2008 London

4 Item of Urgent Business – Elected Member Representation at Conferences, etc – Late Notice of Additional Conference

In view of the requirement to deal with this matter to allow arrangements for 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 Annual Conference of the Association of Visiting Committees for Scottish Penal Establishments to be held in Stirling on 3 and 4 October 2008.

The Committee decided: that the Council be represented by Councillors Lawson and Ross-Taylor at the Annual Conference of the Association of Visiting Committees for Scottish Penal Establishments to be held in Stirling on 3 and 4 October 2008.