

Report

Agenda Item

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Report to: Conference Allocation Committee

Date of Meeting: 1 June 2005

Report by: Executive Director (Corporate Resources)

Subject: Elected Member Representation at Conferences, etc

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - Provide details on various conferences and seminars which the Council has been invited to attend to allow elected member representation to be determined.
 - Allow members to reconsider whether there should be Council representation at the "Raising the Standard" conference organised by the Chartered Institute of Wastes Management (CIWM) to be held in Torbay on 14 to 17 June 2005.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to:-
 - (1) consider the invitations received for the various conferences and seminars listed in the appendix to this report and decide on which elected members should attend particular conferences/seminars, etc if it is considered appropriate for the Council to be represented; and
 - (2) consider whether there should now be Council representation at the "Raising the Standard" conference organised by the Chartered Institute of Wastes Management (CIWM) to be held in Torbay on 14 to 17 June 2005

3. Background

3.1. Invitations have been received in respect of the various conferences, seminars, etc contained in the list attached to this report. In accordance with agreed procedures for dealing with conferences, etc, details of the conferences and seminars have been issued to the Chairs of the appropriate Committees and to the Leader of the Opposition Groups. Their comments are available to assist the Conference Allocation Committee with its consideration of particular invitations.

4. Raising the Standard Conference

4.1. At its meeting on 4 May 2005, the Committee agreed that the Council should not be represented at the "Raising the Standard" conference organised by the Chartered Institute of Wastes Management to be held in Torbay on 14 to 17 June 2005. However, in light of additional Information received on the content of the programme,

the Chair, in terms of Standing Order No 17, has decided that further consideration should be given to representation at the conference.

5. Employee Implications

5.1. There are no employee implications.

6. Financial Implications

6.1. Delegate fees associated with members' attendance at those conferences, etc, at which it is considered that the Council should be represented, can be met from within the existing budget.

7. Other Implications

7.1. There are no other implications for the Council associated with this report.

8. Consultation

8.1. Other than consultation with the appropriate elected members in terms of the process established for dealing with invitations received to attend conferences and seminars, no formal consultation was required.

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25 May 2005

Link(s) to Council Objectives

Managing Resources

Previous References

Minutes of Conference Allocation Committee held on 4 May 2005.

List of Background Papers

Invitations received in respect of individual conferences, seminars, etc

Contact for Further Information

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CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE – 1 JUNE 2005

List of Conferences, Seminars, etc

	Start Date	End Date	Conference Title	Organiser(s)	Venue(s)
1	06/06/2005	06/06/2005	Financial Inclusion Forum	Scottish Executive	Glasgow
2	07/06/2005	07/06/2005	Tackling Public and Private Sector Business Crime in Scotland	MacKay Hannah; Napier University	Edinburgh
3	13/06/2005	13/06/2005	Disability Rights - Implementing the DDA	Holyrood Conferences and Events	Glasgow
4	14/06/2005	17/06/2005	Raising the Standard	Chartered Institute of Wastes Management (CIWM)	Torbay
5	15/06/2005	15/06/2005	Asylum Matters for Scotland - Working Better with Asylum Seekers	Atlas Partnership	Glasgow
6	18/06/2005	19/06/2005	General Management Committee of the National Association of Councillors	National Association of Councillors (NAC)	London
7	21/06/2005	21/06/2005	Tackling Domestic Abuse in Scotland	Scottish Women's Aid; Crown Office; Procurator Fiscal Service	Glasgow
8	23/06/2005	23/06/2005	Changing the Way Local Crime Reduction Works - Joining Up National Priorities and Local Action	Neil Stewart Associates	London
9	28/06/2005	28/06/2005	Delivering an Integrated Waste Management Strategy	Materials Recycling Week (MRW)	London
10	29/06/2005	29/06/2005	3rd Annual Child Protection Conference	National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC); Neil Stewart Associates	London
11	05/07/2005	05/07/2005	The Children Act - Is it Making a Difference?	GateHouse; Community Care; National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC); The Children's Society	London
12	13/07/2005	15/07/2005	The 2005 Cremation Conference	The Cremation Society of Great Britain	Torquay
13	24/08/2005	25/08/2005	Citizens Advice Scotland Annual Conference	Citizens Advice Scotland (CAS)	Edinburgh
14	15/09/2005	16/09/2005	Autumn Conference - Preparing to Recover	Emergency Planning Society, Scottish Branch	Carnoustie
15	26/09/2005	27/09/2005	Scottish Rural Services Conference 2005 - Funding and Support for Rural Services	Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO)	Inverurie

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16	28/09/2005	28/09/2005	Children and Young People Plan - Sharing Best Practice and Developing a Multi-agency Approach to Children's Services	Local Government Chronicle (LGC)	London