

CONFERENCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 2 May 2006

Chair:

Councillor Jim Docherty

Councillors Present:

John McGuinness, David Watson

Councillor's Apology:

Jim Daisley

Attending:

Corporate Resources

L Ballantyne and L Wyllie, Administration Assistants

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 5 April 2006 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 25 April 2006 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: "Social Work Reform and 21 st Century Public Service Delivery"	6 June 2006 Edinburgh	Councillor Morgan
(b) Neil Stewart Associates: "Youth in the Community"	7 June 2006 London	Councillors Burns and McCann
(c) Neil Stewart Associates: "Sports Provision for Children and Young People"	13 June 2006 Liverpool	Councillor Burns

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue	Representation
(d) Neil Stewart Associates: "Local Strategic Partnerships - Shaping the Future of Local Services"	14 June 2006 London	Councillors Carlin and Keirs
(e) Local Government Chronicle (LGC): "Prudential Code - Policy Insight and Practical Innovation"	21 June 2006 London	Councillors Crawford and McNab
(f) Neil Stewart Associates: "What Does it Mean for Local Government?"	21 June 2006 London	Councillors J Docherty and McCann
(g) Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management: "Annual Conference and Exhibition"	16 to 18 October 2006 Harrogate	Councillors J Docherty and Lowe

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

Seminar or Conference	Date and Venue
(a) Neil Stewart Associates: "Tackling Racism Together - Working in Partnership to Effectively Tackle Racism and Race Crime"	17 and 18 May 2006 Liverpool
(b) Robert Gordon University: "Transport Innovation Fund - Next Steps"	25 May 2006 London
(c) MacKay Hannah Limited: "Community Ownership and Stock Transfer - Where Next for Scotland?"	5 June 2006 Edinburgh
(d) The Princess Royal Trust for Carers: "Scottish Carers Conference"	5 June 2006 Edinburgh
(e) Pavilion Scotland: "Drugs and Alcohol Today Scotland"	6 June 2006 Glasgow
(f) Institute of Local Government Studies: "Chairing Scrutiny"	28 June 2006 Birmingham
(g) Local Government Chronicle (LGC): "Delivering Integrated Adult Services"	30 June 2006 London
(h) Institute of Local Government Studies: "Members' Allowances - Post 2003 Regulations – Patterns and Issues"	30 June 2006 Birmingham

4 Urgent Business – Late Notice of Additional Conference

In terms of Standing Order No 4, the Chair decided, in view of the timescales involved, that consideration be given to the following report as a matter of urgency.

A report dated 28 April 2006 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was tabled on representation at the “Commissioning Children’s Services – Partnership in Action” conference organised by the Pre School Learning Alliance to be held in London on 16 May 2006.

The Committee decided: that the Council be represented by Councillor Carlin at the “Commissioning Children’s Services – Partnership in Action” conference organised by the Pre School Learning Alliance to be held in London on 16 May 2006.