

ELECTED MEMBERS' CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

22 October 2019

CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

| Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19) | |
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| Strategic Theme | Leader and Champion |
| Outcome | Provide Civic Leadership |
| Lead Officer | Director of Corporate Services |
| Cost: (If applicable) | Costs to be met, as detailed below, from Conference Budget (£8,000 allocated proportionally) £200 per Councillor Total Cost as at September 2019 - £3600 |

1. Purpose of report

To inform Councillors about conferences that they may wish to attend.

2. The following is listed for consideration:

2.1 Northern Ireland Local Government Association (NIGLA)

Correspondence has been received from NILGA in relation to the upcoming Scrutiny and Challenge Masterclass as detailed below. The Masterclass will be facilitated by APSE rep Andrew Uprichard who delivered an excellent and worthwhile session as part of the pilot of the NILGA Regional Programme.

Date:Friday 1 November 2019Hotel:Antrim Civic CentreCost:NIL

2.2 Northern Ireland Economic Conference 2019 – Hosted by Agenda NI

The Northern Ireland Economic Conference, now in its 24th year, is Northern Ireland's premier economic analysis event and is unique in being the only forum that takes a high level look at the performance of, and prospects for the local economy. It is firmly established as the annual autumn 'summit' for Northern Ireland's economic community, including policy makers and business leaders. Taking place at a time of unprecedented political chaos, this is a not to be missed event for all the latest information on the local economy as well as an excellent opportunity for networking and discussion with key players in the economy, across all sectors, <u>https://www.nieconomic.agendani.com/</u>.

| Date: | Thursday 7 November 2019 |
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| Hotel: | Slieve Donard Hotel, Newcastle, Co Down |
| Cost: | £165 + VAT |
| | Accommodation – Slieve Donard B&B £110 |

3. Recommendation

It is recommended that Council consider the requests.