



Subject:	National Association of Councillors Conference
Date:	20th May, 2022
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Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To consider the attendance of the Council's representatives on the National Association of Councillors at a conference in Southport.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Committee is asked to approve the attendance of the Council's representatives on the National Association of Councillors at a Conference to be held in Southport from 24th to 26th June, 2022.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The Committee will be aware that it has appointed 8 Members to the National Association of Councillors (Northern Ireland Region).

3.2	<p>The theme of the conference is entitled Emergency Planning and Resilience. It will look at how local Councils, emergency services and power companies react and deal with natural events to protect and assist the communities in which they live and work. It will also examine what resilience has been or can be put in place by local authorities resulting in a cohesive plan to get supplies and services to areas which suffer severe disruption.</p>
3.3	<p>The Committee has in previous years authorised the attendance of its representatives at its conferences.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The fee for attendance at the conference is £350 plus VAT per delegate. There will also be travel and accommodation costs. Any expenditure in this regard can be met from within existing budgets.</p>
3.4	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>None associated with this report.</p>
4.0	<p>Documents Attached</p>
	<p>None</p>