



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Development Committee
Subject:	British Urban Regeneration Association's Awards Ceremony
Date:	10 February 2010
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Background Information

Members will be aware that the Renewing the Routes programme was recently informed that it was a regional winner for the BURA Awards for Best Practice in Regeneration.

The awards embrace diversity, recognising projects across the UK on a variety of scales and celebrating the range of people and organisations involved in regeneration.

Key Issues

Through these independent national awards BURA seeks to identify and promote projects which are making a positive contribution to economic regeneration, acting as catalysts for wider regeneration and creating a self-sustaining momentum with long-term benefits for local communities.

Reflecting the current economic climate, the original evening award ceremony planned for late January was re-scheduled and the format revised. BURA has invited the Council to a reformatted lunch time ceremony which will be held in central London on 5 March 2010. BURA has now requested confirmation that the Council wishes to be represented and details of the proposed participants.

Resource Implications

The cost for flights, awards lunch and taxis is likely to be £250 per person.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Development Committee, or their nominees, and two officers represent the Council at the awards ceremony on 5 March 2010.

Decision Tracking

Further to Committee approval, the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman or their nominees and two Council Officers will travel to the BURA Awards for Best Practice in Regeneration.

Timeframe: March 2010

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Key to Abbreviations

BURA – British Urban Regeneration Association