

Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Subject:	National Association of Councillors - Annual General Meeting and Conference
Date:	Friday, 23rd September, 2011
Reporting Officer:	Mr. Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager (extension 6314)
Contact Officer:	Mrs. Alison Potter, Democratic Services Assistant (extension 6308)

1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	The National Association of Councillors is holding a weekend Conference and Annual General Meeting from Friday 14 – Sunday 16 October, 2011 at The Hallmark Hotel, Carlisle.
1.2	The Conference has aims to tackle public disorder and discuss delivering community safety by considering the importance of community policing and the benefits of a stronger more visible police presence in our communities. The matter of alcohol related problems and the issues of crime and disorder which can arise out of this will also be examined.

2	Key Issues
2.1	The business of the Annual General Meeting falls within the criteria set out in Section 38 of the 1972 Local Government (Northern Ireland) Act in that it involves issues connected with the discharge of the functions of the Council and/or affecting the district or its inhabitants.

3	Resource Implications	
3.1	Financial	
	Delegate Fee: Travel: Accommodation:	£350 £184 £120
	Total per delegate:	£654

4	Equality Implications
	N/A

5	Recommendations	
5.1	It is recommended that the Committee authorises:	
	 the attendance at the National Association of Councillors Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman, the Council's representatives on the National Association of Councillors (Northern Ireland Region), and a representative of each of the Parties on the Council not represented by the aforementioned Members. 	

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Officers responsible:

Alison Potter, Democratic Services Assistant

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