

Belfast City Council

Report to: Strategic Policy and Resources Committee

Subject: National Association of Councillors – Annual General Meeting

Date: Friday, 25th October, 2013

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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	The National Association of Councillors is holding its Annual General Meeting and Conference from Friday, 22nd November, till Sunday, 24th November, 2013, at the City Hall, Belfast.
1.2	The Annual General Meeting and Conference is designed to be of great value to Councillors at all tiers of local authority. The keynote Speaker at the Conference will be Dr. Simon Henig, Leader of Durham County Council who has led Durham Council through the recent re-organisation of the District and County Councils to form a Unitary County Council.

2	Key Issues
2.1	The business of the Seminar falls within the criteria set out in Section 34 of the Local Government Finance Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 in that it involves issues connected with the interests of the inhabitants of the district or any part of it.

3	Resource Implications	
3.1	<u>Financial</u>	
	Delegate Fee:	£60
	Total per delegate:	£60

4	Equality Implications
	N/A

5	Recommendations	
5.1	It is recommended that the Committee authorises:	
	the attendance at the National Association of Councillors Annual General Meeting and Conference 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.	

6 Decision Tracking

Officers responsible:

Mr. Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager

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