



Belfast City Council

Report to:	Strategic Policy and Resources Committee
Subject:	National Association of Councillors – Annual General Meeting
Date:	Friday, 22nd August, 2014
Reporting Officer:	Mr. Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager (extension 6314)
Contact Officer:	Ms. Kate McCafferty, Democratic Services Assistant (extension 6308)

1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	The National Association of Councillors (Northern Ireland Region) is holding its Annual General Meeting on Friday, 3rd October, 2014, at the Clandeboye Lodge Hotel, Bangor.
1.2	The Annual General Meeting, at which new office bearers will be elected by the membership, is being addressed by Mark H. Durkan, the Minister for the Department of Environment. It is intended that the Minister, in his address, will provide an update on the progress of Local Government Reorganisation and answer questions from Councillors.

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: £40 Travel: £16 Total per delegate: £56

4	Equality Implications
	N/A

5	Recommendations
5.1	<p>It is recommended that the Committee authorises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the attendance at the National Association of Councillors (Northern Ireland Region) 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. ▪ the payment of the appropriate travelling allowance in connection therewith.

6	Decision Tracking
<p>Officers responsible:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr. Stephen McCrory, Democratic Services Manager</p> <p>August, 2014</p>	