



<b>Subject:</b>	CIWM National Conference, London, 27-28 June 2017
<b>Date:</b>	4 April 2017
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?</b>	
<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Call-in</b>	
<b>Is the decision eligible for Call-in?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
1.1	The Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM) is holding its national conference and exhibition in London this year on " <i>Resourcing the Future</i> ".
1.2	In light of the Council's work on its Waste Framework document, and in developing its Resourceful Belfast strategy, Members may wish to attend this event.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Authorise the Chair and Deputy Chair (or their nominees) to attend this event.</li><li>▪ Approve the attendance of the Director of City &amp; Neighbourhood Services (or his nominee).</li></ul>

<p><b>3.0</b></p>	<p><b>Main report</b></p> <p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>3.1 The much anticipated Resourcing the Future Conference (RTF) returns this year on 27–28 June at One Great George Street. This year WRAP, the expert circular economy and resource efficiency body which is collaborating with the Council on its Resourceful Belfast Circular Economy Strategy, is joining CIWM, the Environmental Services Association and the Resource Association to deliver this event.</p> <p>3.2 Bringing together waste and resource management sector professionals, opinion formers, government ministers and policy experts, RTF 2017 will provide a forum for the sector to come together to address today’s major challenges and help shape the future landscape of resource management.</p> <p>3.3 With a practical focus on day 1 and a strategic emphasis on day 2, delegates will have the chance to input into future plans across the UK, learn how to tackle future challenges and identify opportunities for change through a range of resources and knowledge sharing activities.</p> <p>3.4 Delegates will leave equipped with the valuable insight and direction needed in order to make 2017 a year for change.</p> <p>3.5 The RTF Conference provides a perfect platform to bring together colleagues from across the waste and resource management sector and is particularly relevant to councils, waste management companies, consultants, directors, academics, Members, producers, heads of service and anybody involved in the supply chain.</p> <p>3.6 With ministerial keynotes and four key themes – <b>“50% recycling &amp; beyond”</b>, <b>“Sharing cost &amp; responsibility across the supply chain”</b>, <b>“A UK vision for resource efficiency”</b> and <b>“New delivery paradigms”</b> – this year’s programme is focused both on exploring solutions to today’s challenges on day one, and on shaping the future of UK waste and resource management policy on day two.</p> <p>3.7 Throughout the conference highly interactive sessions will provide ample opportunity for debate, with day one’s practitioner-focused breakout workshops specifically focusing on areas of challenge or change. Topics include new contractual relationships, enforcement and waste crime, future residual waste options and collection consistency.</p>
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3.8	The RTF Conference and Exhibition delivers a first-class conference and networking event which provides insight and sharing of ideas that will empower those responsible for delivering approaches to waste, resources management and the circular economy.
3.9	The key topics are all very pertinent to where the Council finds itself at present with the shift in focus towards the Circular Economy, the challenges inherent in the changing economic paradigm for waste management and how to better achieve better quality from wastes.
3.10	<p><u>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The standard rate for attending the conference is £539.00 per person but there is an early-bird rate of £399.00. Prices quoted are exclusive of VAT.</p> <p>The subsistence and travel costs per person associated with this conference are likely to be in the region of;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £250.00 – flights</li> <li>• £150.00 – accommodation</li> <li>• £50.00 – other travel</li> <li>• £50.00 – subsistence</li> </ul> <p>The costs of the conference can be met within the Service’s Revenue Budget</p>
3.11	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	None