

Subject:

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Association of Port Health Authorities: Executive Board

Date:		8 August 2017				
Repor	ting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw, Director City & Neighbourl	hood Ser	rvices Depa	artment	
Contact Officer:		Siobhan Toland, Assistant Director City & Neighbourhood Services Department Damian Connolly, Environmental Health Manager (Food Safety and Port Health)				
Restric	cted Reports					
Is this	report restricted?		Yes	No	X	
i i	f Yes, when will the	report become unrestricted?				
After Committe		ee Decision				
After Council D		Decision				
	Some time in t	he future				
	Never					
Call-in						
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?					,	
1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues					
1.1	Belfast City Council is a Corporate Member of the Association of Port Health Authorities.					
	The Association is	managed by an Executive Board and the Cou	uncil has	been repre	esented	
on the Executive Board by Cllr Dudgeon since April 2015 following			ng SP&F	R appointme	ent of	
	Members to outside	e bodies. Cllr Dudgeon's term on the Executiv	ve Board	l is due to e	xpire in	
	September 2017 (a	although this will be delayed until the Annual (General I	Meeting wh	ich will	
	be held in November	er 2017).				
2.0	Recommendation	s				
2.1	The Committee is a	asked to;				
	Grant appro	val for Cllr Dudgeon to continue to represent t	he Coun	icil on the E	xecutive	
	Board of the Association of Port Health Authorities until the Annual General Meeting				Meeting	
	election whi	ch is due to take place in November 2017.				

3.0	Main Report
	Key Issues
3.1	The Association of Port Health Authorities of which the Council is a corporate member, with Councillor Dudgeon on the Executive Board, is the only UK wide organisation representing the interests of Local Authorities and Port Health Authorities with responsibilities for health controls at sea and airports. Port health authorities were constituted with the primary objective of preventing the introduction into the country of dangerous epidemics, contagious and infectious diseases and ensuring the wholesomeness of imported food.
3.2	The Association of Port Health Authorities is managed by an Executive Board comprising a mixture of Officers and Elected Members.
3.2	The Council relies upon the Association of Port Health Authorities to provide a support mechanism for its Port Health Officers, through working with those from other port health authorities to develop help and guidance and to share knowledge and good practice. In turn, the Association depends upon its members, including the Council, to provide the required management.
3.3	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u> Attendance at up to 4 meetings per year costing approximately £120 each and paid from existing budget.
	Asset & Other Implications
3.3	None
	Equality or Good Relations Implications
3.4	None
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None