



## **REPORT OF TEAM MANAGER (DEMOCRATIC SERVICES)**

### **NATIONAL CHILDREN'S AND ADULTS CONFERENCE**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To propose a change in attendance at the above conference

#### **Information and Advice**

2. The annual National Children and Adult Services Conference is this year being held at The Devonshire Park Centre in Eastbourne from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October. On 9<sup>th</sup> May the Administration Committee considered attendance at the conference and resolved (2012/16) that approval be given for the Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Health Committee and Chairman of the Children and Young People's Committee to attend it with the associated costs for attendance to be met from the Members Services Budget
3. The Chairman of the Children and Young People's Committee is now not able to attend the conference and given the specific terms of the resolution it is considered necessary to bring the matter back to this Committee to address.
4. Given the nature of the Conference, the Committee in May considered that it was appropriate for a member having executive responsibilities to attend. Consequently it is proposed that the second place be taken by a member nominated by the Conservative Group.

#### **Other Options Considered**

5. The Committee could decide not to take up the second place or invite a member without executive responsibilities to attend but this would mean forgoing many of the advantages of attending the Conference.

#### **Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

6. To enable the Council to be represented appropriately at the National Children and Adult Services Conference.

#### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of

children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

## **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) That the second place at the National Children and Adult Services Conference be filled at the nomination of the Majority Group

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### **Constitutional Comments (SG 06/08/2012)**

8. The Committee is the appropriate body to consider the issues set out in this Report. The Committee has responsibility for approving all Councillor attendance at conferences by virtue of paragraph 55(a) of Part 4(A) of the Constitution.

### **Financial Comments (MB 06/08/12)**

9. The cost of the conference will be met from the Members Services budget.

### **Background Papers**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

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