

## REPORT OF THE TEAM MANAGER, MEMBERS AND CIVIC SERVICES

### ATTENDANCE OF CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE AND COMMUNITY AT LGA LIBRARIES SEMINAR

#### Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the attendance of the Cabinet Member for Culture and Community at the Local Government Association's (LGA) libraries seminar on 29 February 2012 at Leeds Town Hall.

#### Information and Advice

2. The LGA's Culture, Tourism and Sport Board of the Local Government Association, which speaks at the seminar, develops policy and shares best practice for local authorities.
3. This is a free seminar aimed at lead Members for public library services.
4. The seminar aims to provide Members with:
  - a clearer vision of what a modern library service might look like and how a wider and combined arts and cultural offer can support and underpin this vision
  - a better understanding of how they can create this vision locally, within the context of the statutory requirements for a comprehensive and efficient service
  - a better understanding of the different models for delivering library services emerging across the country and some of the opportunities and challenges inherent in them
  - a better awareness of the tools and support available from the LGA and Arts Council.
5. The seminar is free and no accommodation is required.

Travel by private motor vehicle will cost £62

Total cost £62

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

6. 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.

## **Financial Implications**

7. The travel costs will be met from the Members' Allowance budget.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That approval be given for the Cabinet Member for Culture and Community to attend the LGA libraries seminar on 29 February 2012 at Leeds Town Hall.

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## **Constitutional Comments (SG 20/01/12)**

8. The Committee is the appropriate body to consider the matters set out in the report. The Delegation to Administration Committee contained in Part III of the Council's Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, includes approval for travel and associated costs to be incurred for Member attendance at seminars

## **Financial Comments (NDR 20/01/12)**

9. The financial implications are set out in paragraph 7 of the report.

## **Background Papers**

Seminar Notice.

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**

All.

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