

Agenda Item: 5(a)**REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES****LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE &
EXHIBITION MANCHESTER CENTRAL 2-4 JULY 2013****Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek approval for the attendance of two members and one officer at the Local Government Association (LGA) Annual Conference & Exhibition, Manchester Central, 2-4 July 2013.

Information and Advice

2. The LGA covers every part of England and Wales, supporting local government as the most efficient and accountable part of the public sector.

This Year's programme will consist of a mix of cross-party political addresses and other significant plenary sessions by key players throughout the local government community, taking in private and voluntary perspectives. There will also be an opportunity to take part in a variety of workshop and fringe sessions.

Other Options Considered

3. No other options considered

Reasons for Recommendation

4. To ensure the County Council's attendance at this years annual conference.

Statutory and Policy Implications

5. 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

That approval be given for the attendance of two members and one officer at the LGA Annual Conference and Exhibition. The estimated cost per person for attending the conference is £775.00.

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Constitutional Comments (SG 29/01/2013)

6. The Committee is the appropriate body to decide the issues set out in this Report. The Committee has responsibility for approving all Councillor attendance at conferences under its Terms of Reference.

Financial Comments (MB 4/2/13)

7. The costs for the members' attendance will be met from the 2013/14 budget for Members' conference expenses.

Background Paper

Bulletin from the LGA

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All