WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

29 MARCH 2011

SUBJECT	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PENSION FUNDS CONFERENCE
WARD/S AFFECTED	ALL
REPORT OF	DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO	COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY WATT
HOLDER	
KEY DECISION	NO

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This report requests any nominations to attend the National Association Pension Fund (NAPF) Local Authority Conference, to be held in Birmingham from 16 May to 18 May 2011.

2.0. **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1. That Committee consider if it wishes to send a delegation to attend this conference, and if so, to determine the number and allocation of places.

3.0. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1. To decide whether the Committee wishes to be represented at a conference.

4.0. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 4.1. Merseyside pension Fund is a member of the NAPF which represents some 10 million employees. The NAPF seeks to make effective representation to encourage provision as well as sound stewardship of pension fund assets.
- 4.2. MPF has been represented at all previous NAPF Local Authority Conferences usually by the Chair of the Pensions Committee and an officer.
- 4.3. Accommodation will be required for the nights of 16 and 17 May 2011.

5.0. RELEVANT RISKS

5.1. The Authority is required to prove that Trustees have been adequately trained. This conference is a recognised training opportunity.

6.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

6.1. No other options have been considered.

7.0. CONSULTATION

7.1. There has been no consultation undertaken or proposed for this report. There are no implications for partner organisations arising out of this report.

8.0. IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

8.1. There are none arising out of this report.

9.0. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS; FINANCIAL; IT; STAFFING AND ASSETS

9.1. The cost of attendance plus two nights accommodation will be about £600 plus VAT per delegate excluding travel which can be met from the existing Pension Fund Budget.

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1. There are none arising out of this report.

11. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 There are none arising out of this report.
- 11.2. Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) is not required.

12.0. CARBON REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

12.1. There are none arising out of this report.

13. PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFET IMPLICATIONS

13.1. There are none arising out of this report.

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APPENDICES

NONE

REFERENCE MATERIAL

NONE

SUBJECT HISTORY SUBJECT HISTORY

Council Meeting	Date
Pensions Committee	23 March 2010
Pensions Committee	6 April 2009