WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

17 NOVEMBER 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

LGC PENSION FUND INVESTMENT CONFERENCE

1. **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1. This report requests the Committee to consider if it wishes to be represented at the Pension Fund Investment Conference organised by Local Government Chronicle to be held in Chester on 25-26 February 2010.

2. **THE CONFERENCE**

- 2.1. The Conference is scheduled for 25-26 February 2010. It is likely that delegates would require an overnight stay in Chester on 25 February 2010.
- 2.2. This is the fifth year of this conference organised by the LGC and is in addition to the traditional annual conference to be held in Newport in September.
- 2.3. The attendance at such conferences has traditionally been in the ratio 1:1:1.
- 2.4. Conference costs including accommodation are £475 plus VAT per person, with travel an additional cost.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1. The cost of approximately £2,000 for three Members and one officer can be met from the existing budget.

4. **STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. There are no staffing implications in this report.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

7. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.1. There are no specific implications arising from this report.

8. LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

8.1. There are no specific implications for any Member or Ward.

9. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

9.1. There are no specific implications arising from this report.

10. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1. There are no specific implications arising from this report.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1. None used in the preparation of this report.

12. **RECOMMENDATION**

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

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