WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

6 APRIL 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

CIPFA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. Members are requested to consider whether there should be representation at the CIPFA Annual Conference to be held in Manchester from 23 June to 26 June 2009.

2. THE CONFERENCE

- 2.1. The CIPFA Annual Conference is one of the annual conferences approved by the Cabinet. As an approved conference, attendance has been agreed as the Executive Member for Finance and Best Value (the Leader of the Council), the Chairman of the Finance and Best Value Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and the Conservative spokesperson for Finance.
- 2.2. The CIPFA Conference contains a significant number of sessions which are relevant to Pension Fund management and administration. Therefore I think it would be beneficial if the Chair of the Pensions Committee attended the Conference in addition to the existing approvals.
- 2.3. Conference fees will be about £600 plus VAT. Accommodation and transport costs will also be incurred.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1. The costs can be met from the Pension Fund budget.

4. **STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. There are none arising from this report.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1. There are none arising from this report.

6. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

6.1. There are none arising from this report.

7. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.1. There are none arising from this report.

8. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

8.1. There are none arising from this report.

9. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

9.1. There are none arising from this report.

10. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 10.1. That the Chair of the Pensions Committee be delegated to attend the CIPFA Conference.
- 10.2. That attendance be referred to the Cabinet for approval of duty.

IAN COLEMAN DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

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