

WIRRAL COUNCIL

PENSIONS COMMITTEE

6 APRIL 2009

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PENSION FUNDS CONFERENCE (NAPF)

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report requests whether the Committee wishes to be represented at the NAPF Local Authority Conference, to be held in Birmingham from 18 May to 20 May 2009.

2. THE NAPF LOCAL AUTHORITY CONFERENCE

- 2.1. Merseyside Pension Fund is a member of the National Association of Pension Funds (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.
- 2.2. MPF has been represented at all previous NAPF Local Authority Conferences usually by the Chair of the Pensions Committee and an officer.
- 2.3. Accommodation will be required for the nights of 18 and 19 May 2009..

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. The cost of attendance plus two nights accommodation will be £550 plus VAT per delegate excluding travel which can be met from the existing Pension Fund 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.

6. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. 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. RECOMMENDATIONS

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.

12.2. That attendance be referred to the Cabinet for approval of duty.

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DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

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