

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 22 MARCH 2006

CHARTERED INSTITUTION OF WASTES MANAGEMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION 2006, PAIGNTON, TORBAY, ENGLAND

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Sub-Committee of an invitation for the Council to be represented at the above event.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Annual Conference and Exhibition of the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM) is the world's largest annual event dedicated to waste management.
- 2.2 The 2006 event will be held in Paignton, Torbay, England from 12th - 16th June 2006.
- 2.3 The Conference theme is to be "Changing the Face of Waste Management" and will focus on the challenge to change the thinking and behaviour of the public and business to waste less, recycle more and accept a shared responsibility for waste. The approach will require radical rethinking of the definitions for, and the approaches to, waste.

Conference sessions will deal with the following matters:-

- Introduction to waste management
- Incineration
- Political realities
- Public Communications/Case Studies
- Hazardous Waste
- Planning Structure, Partnership and Finance
- Modernising Regulation
- Local Environmental Quality
- Political and Social Issues
- Waste Management Technologies and Legislation
- Gasification, Pyrolysis and Anaerobic Digestion

- Recycling: Reaching the Next Target
- Biological Treatment
- Pollutant Emissions and Gas Cleaning

3. DISCUSSION

3.1 The topics to be dealt with at the various sessions are of current interest to the Neighbourhood Services Department and the associated Exhibition alongside the Conference allows delegates the opportunity to inspect at first hand a wide range of equipment, plant and vehicles etc used in modern waste management practices.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The delegate fee for the Conference and Exhibition is £890.65. Travel and subsistence costs will be in addition to the delegate fee.

5. LEGAL/AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil.

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Participation in this event is in accord with the Community Plan: Improving the Environment (Aim 3 to increase the amount of waste that is recycled and re-used).

7. CONCLUSIONS

7.1 The Council has received an invitation to be represented at the 2006 Annual Conference and Exhibition of the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management.

7.2 The Conference and Exhibition comprises a number of wide ranging issues which are of interest to East Ayrshire Council at the present time.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The Committee is invited to: -

- (i) consider a response to the invitation to be represented at this Annual Conference and Exhibition; and
- (ii) otherwise note the content of the report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Annual "Flyer" advising of CIWM Conference and Exhibition.

Anyone wishing to inspect the background paper listed above should telephone 01563 576111 and ask for John Crawford.

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