

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

MEMBERS' SERVICES AND CIVIC CEREMONIAL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 5 NOVEMBER 2003

CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF HOUSING CONFERENCE HARROGATE : 15 – 18 June 2004

Report by the Director of Homes and Technical Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Sub-Committee consider attendance at the Annual Conference of the Chartered Institute of Housing.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Chartered Institute of Housing has advised authorities that the annual conference of the Institute will take place in Harrogate on 15th – 18th June 2004. The theme of the conference is “The Economy and its impact for housing organisations and customers”.

The conference is considered to be relevant to Officers and Elected Members who are involved in housing and this year will discuss a wide range of topics including “Are sustainable communities a realistic expectation?”, “Are we talking anti-social behaviour?” and “Is neighbourhood management going far enough?”.

- 2.1 There are a range of housing conferences held throughout the year but it has been the practice to only attend those conferences which offer the maximum advantage to the Council. The Chartered Institute of Housing Conference in Harrogate is one of these conferences where representation is recommended.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The delegates fee for this four day conference is £547.00 + VAT.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 It is considered that the conference would be of benefit to the Council and Member attendance is requested.

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20 October 2003

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Conference Brochure from the Chartered Institute of Housing

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