

Report on	Conferences, Seminars & Training
Date of Meeting	13 December 2018
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Provide an update on seminars and conferences received. To seek approval for (i) elected member attendance and the payment of registration/ attendance fees and associated costs, as incurred and, (ii) council officer approvals.
2.0	Background
2.1	Costs associated will be set against 2018-19 member Conference, Seminar and Training allocations.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The following are seminar/ conference sessions and member training requests presented for consideration of representation from Mid Ulster District Council.
3.1	Approval for Consideration of Attendance by Elected Members
3.1.1	Conferences & Seminars NILGA Performance Improvement for Transforming Councils Councillor Masterclass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antrim Civic Centre • Monday 28 January 10.30am – 1.00pm
3.1.2	Member Training Requests None
3.2	Officer Approvals There are occasions when it is beneficial to the council for Officers to attend conferences and seminars. Approval for attendance as detailed in Appendix B to this report is sought.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Costs to be set against Members 2018/2019 conference/seminar/training allocation. Any costs incurred above annual allocation to be incurred by Member
	Human: not applicable
	Risk Management: not applicable
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: not applicable
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Approval for attendance at the conferences, seminars and training by members and council officers as required.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A Member Conferences, Seminars & Training Appendix B Officers Approvals



Save the Date

Performance Improvement for Transforming Councils Councillor Masterclass

Antrim Civic Centre

Monday 28th January 10.30am – 1.00pm

NILGA, in association with the Department for Communities and Northern Ireland Audit Office invites Elected Members to the Performance Improvement for Transforming Councils' 'Masterclass' which will give councillors a greater understanding and confidence about:

- The Legislative Requirements
- The elected member role in Performance improvement – key to building a high performing council
- The role of the Department and the NIAO
- Using the Performance Improvement Duty to benefit councils / opportunities
- Benchmarking and best practice to drive success

Why Attend?

Elected members meaningful participation in performance improvement is key to building a high performing Council. This session will focus on increasing elected members understanding and skills on the performance improvement information they receive. In doing so, elected members will be better equipped to use this important duty to inform and improve council decision making in the interests of a more strategic place shaping approach to delivery.

To reserve your place please contact:

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Conference & Seminar	Date	No. of Attendees	Location	Attendance Fee (Yes/ No)
Vat Conference for Local Authorities	27/2/19	1	London	Yes

Retrospective

Regeneration NI Conference	29/11/18	1	Belfast	No
NI Leadership & Governance Conference	27/11/18	1	Lisburn	Yes