

**REPORT TO: PLANNING & REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 3
JUNE 2008**

SUBJECT: CONFERENCE: PLACES NEED VISION

BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To invite the Committee to consider an invitation for the Council to be represented at a 'Planning for Councillors' conference 'Places need vision' to be held on 21st June 2008 in Glasgow.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section D (1) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to exercising the statutory functions of the Council as Planning Authority.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider the invitation and, if so disposed, nominate a Member to represent the Council at the Conference**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The aim of the Conference is to provide information to Councillors regarding the role of planning and its impact on the environment and communities. A copy of the background briefing and Conference Agenda is appended to the report as **Appendix 1**.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan

None

(b) Policy and Legal

None

(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)

There is no cost for the Conference for Local Authorities but travel and/or accommodation costs will require to be met.

(d) Consultations

None.

5. CONCLUSION

- 5.1 That the Committee consider the invitation to the represented at the 'Places Need Vision' conference to be held on 21st June 2008 in Glasgow.**

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Background Papers:	Invitation from PIPA/RTPI
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