

Report No.	21-22
Decision Required	

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE 2021

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. This report is to determine Members' attendance at the 2021 **Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ)** Conference.

2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. .
- b. approves the attendance of the Chair of Council and up to three Councillors (to be named) with expenses paid, and the Chief Executive, at the 2021 Local Government New Zealand Conference at Blenheim from 15-17 July 2021, and includes any regional pre tour.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

- 3.1. Funding for this activity has been included in the 2020-21 training budget.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 4.1. There is no requirement to communicate this activity to the public.

5. SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS RISK

- 5.1. There is no significant business risk associated with this item.

6. CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

- 6.1. As the report deals entirely with administrative matters, there is no climate change impact.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1. A resolution was passed at the Council meeting on 22 March 2011 that "...the Chair and up to three Councillors attend each annual LGNZ conference within budget".
- 7.2. The *Councillors' Allowances and Reimbursements Policy* includes the following paragraph under clause 10.1:

Attendance at the LGNZ Annual Conference will be considered and resolved by the Council. Every attempt will be made for each Councillor to attend an LGNZ conference during the triennium.

8. COMMENT

- 8.1. The LGNZ Conference is being held in Blenheim from Thursday 15 July to Saturday 17 July 2020 and will take place at two adjacent venues; the Marlborough Convention Centre, and the ASB Theatre Marlborough. LGNZ have advised that early bird registrations will close on 21 May 2021.

- 8.2. The proposed programme for the LGNZ Conference is available on the LGNZ website - <https://www.lgnz2020.co.nz/programme>
- 8.3. A regional pre-tour will be hosted from 11-14 July 2021, prior to the LGNZ conference. An itinerary is currently being finalised for the regional pre-tour.

9. SIGNIFICANCE

- 9.1. This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

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ANNEXES

There are no attachments to this report.