

15. GREAT WINE CAPITAL NETWORK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of the report is to request the Council to give approval for Councillor Sue Wells to attend the Great Wine Capital Network Annual General Meeting in Germany (GWCN AGM).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Christchurch is a member of the GWCN and as such a representative is invited to attend the AGM. This year it is being held in Mainz, Germany, from 23-27 October 2011.
3. Councillor Wells is the outgoing GWCN President and as such is required to give an address at the opening ceremony.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

4. The cost of attending is estimated to be \$5,000 which will cover airfares. This can be provided from the elected member travel and conference budget. The costs for accommodation and conference registration are being met by the Conference organisers given that Councillor Wells is the outgoing President.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

5. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

6. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

7. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

8. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council grant approval for Councillor Wells to attend the Great Wine Capital Network Annual General Meeting in October in Germany.