

12. WASTE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AUCKLAND 30-31 MARCH 2004

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The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the attendance of the Chairman, Councillor Denis O'Rourke, at the second Waste Management Conference to be held in Auckland 30-31 March 2004.

This conference has been organised by Conferenz Limited and will be held over two days, 30-31 March 2004, at the Stafford Plaza Hotel in Auckland.

The conference is intended for local authority staff and elected representatives and organisations involved in waste management and some specific topics/speakers to the conference are as follows:

- The New Zealand Waste Minimisation Strategy - Mike Ward, MP, Green Party,
- Ket Bradshaw, Minister for the Environment,
- Packaging of Goods - John Webber, Packaging Council New Zealand,
- Christchurch City Council - Councillor Denis O'Rourke,
- Chris Purchase, Sustainable Transport Group, Ministry for the Environment,
- Pipa Russel, Waste Exchange,
- Environmental Management Systems - Jane Whitlock, EcoSafe,
- Legislative Changes Simon Berry, Minter Alison Rudd and Watts,
- Contaminated Sites, Graham Proffitt, Pattle Delamore Partners Limited.

The Chairman Councillor Denis O'Rourke is a guest speaker at the conference hence no costs are involved for his attendance other than meeting attendance fees.

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Recommendation: That the Committee support the attendance of the Chairman, Councillor Denis O'Rourke at the Waste Management Conference to be held in Auckland on 30-31 March 2004.