5. 2011 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE VOTING DELEGATE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the appointment of the Council's voting delegate to the Annual General Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. This year's conference will be held in Wellington from Sunday 10 July to Wednesday 13 July 2011.
- 3. At the Council meeting on 12 May 2011, the Council resolved to appoint the Mayor as the presiding voting delegate and Councillor Williams is the alternate voting delegate for the Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Annual General Meeting. As both the Mayor and Councillor Williams are unavailable to attend the conference the Council needs to appoint a new alternate. Councillors Button, Chen and Livingstone are attending the Conference.
- 4. The Christchurch City Council is entitled to appoint one presiding delegate with voting rights, and an alternate voting delegate if the presiding delegate cannot attend. The Council is also entitled to have up to four additional Councillors attending, being classed as viewing delegates. The rules of the New Zealand Local Government Association provide that the term "delegate" includes both an elected member and an officer of a member authority.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. No additional costs will be incurred. This expenditure for attendance can be accommodated within the provision for Mayoral/Councillor conference attendance and travel included in the 2010/11 Annual Plan.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. There are no legal implications associated with this appointment.

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?

7. Pages 156 and 157 of the LTCCP refer to the provision of support for elected members (which includes attendance at such conferences).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

8. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

9. No consultation is required.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

The Council appoint a Councillor as the alternate voting delegate at the Annual General Meeting.