FC37. SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Council considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer presenting a proposed revision to the Scheme of Delegation.

Council had, on 25 June 2014 (ref FC26(a)), considered a motion on members' travel abroad on behalf of, or as part of, a delegation and agreed that Standing Orders be amended to replicate the requirements in place for members' attendance at conferences for trips abroad.

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Baillie Paterson, moved the proposed revision to the Scheme of Delegation set out in the report.

Councillor McCabe proposed an amendment which was subsequently withdrawn following advice from the Provost.

Decision

Council agreed to amend the scheme of delegation by adding an additional paragraph at section 60.14A, in the following terms:—

"Where any member of Council is invited to form or be part of a delegation to an event or place which involves overseas travel, the decision on whether to approve that travel will rest with the Chief Governance Officer where the cost does not exceed £200. In all other cases, decision making will rest with the Executive. This provision does not extend to travel by or on behalf of the Provost to any events of a civic nature, decision making on which will remain with the Chief Governance Officer in consultation with the Provost."