3 CONFERENCES ETC (AN264-2002)

(a) ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SERVICES EXCELLENCE - PFI DEVELOPMENTS

It is reported that the Association of Public Service Excellence are organising a Seminar on PFI Developments in Motherwell on 15th November, 2002.

The Committee's instructions are requested with regard to the attendance of members. The estimated cost, excluding travel and subsistence, is £65 per delegate.

(b) NUCLEAR FREE LOCAL AUTHORITIES - POLICY REVIEW SEMINAR AND AGM

It is reported for information that in view of the timescales involved the Director of Support Services in consultation with the Convener and spokespersons from the Major Opposition Group and Minority Group authorised the attendance of Councillor Regan at the above Seminar and AGM in Slough on 17th and 18th October, 2002 at an estimated cost of £65 excluding travel and subsistence.

It was also noted that Councillor Regan had been proposed unopposed for the position of National Chair.

(c) THE SCOTTISH FORUM FOR MODERN GOVERNMENT

It was reported that a Conference entitled "Funding the Future - Reshaping the Public Private Interface in Scotland" will be held in Glasgow on 11th November, 2002.

The Committee's instructions are requested with regard to the attendance of members. The estimated cost excluding travel and subsistence is £170 per delegate.

(d) FRIENDS OF THE EARTH SCOTLAND

It is reported that Friends of the Earth Scotland are organising a Conference entitled "Green Office in Edinburgh on 7th November, 2002.

The Committee's instructions are requested with regard to the attendance of members. The estimated cost excluding travel and subsistence is £30 per delegate.