Committee to consider applications to undertake certain duties by Members and Foreign Travel by Officers	FTC/03/16
<b>Date:</b> 22 March 2016	
Approval for Officer travel to Barcelona	
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## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To consider an application (attached to this report) for three officers to travel to Barcelona, Spain, to visit Barcelona Council from 2-3 April 2016 at an estimated total cost of £744.
- 1.2 Alex Laidler, Director for Local Delivery West, Adult Operations, will be attending the meeting to answer Members' questions.

## 2. Recommendation

2.1 That approval be given/not given for three officers to travel to Barcelona, Spain, to visit Barcelona Council from 2-3 April 2016 at an estimated total cost of £744.

## 3. Background and proposal

- 3.1 The attached application has been received regarding proposed foreign travel for three officers to travel to Barcelona, Spain, to visit Barcelona Council from 2-3 April 2016 at an estimated total cost of £744.
- 3.2 The purpose of the trip is to visit a council in Barcelona that has implemented an electronic care and support system that enables health, housing and social care providers to oversee a new model of assistive technology and monitoring to support people to live safely and independently. The visit will allow consideration of how this might become one of the strands to deliver 2021 in Essex.
- 3.3 The visit has been approved by Helen Lincoln, Executive Director for People Operations.