

## APPROVAL FOR VISITS MADE BY MEMBERS

involving travel abroad / individual costs exceeding £500 / aggregate costs for more than one member of £1,000

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| <b>Name of Member(s) travelling:</b>  | Cllr Eddie Johnson   |
| <b>Details of the visit (incl. dates):</b>  | 6 & 7 November 2014 ADEPT Conference, Manchester Airport                     |
| <b>Estimated cost of the visit:</b>   | £626 (based on option B plus driving)<br>£515 (based on option B plus train) |
| <b>Rationale for the estimated cost:</b><br>* Please note you will need to demonstrate that in accordance with the Members' Allowances Scheme three quotes have been obtained before booking foreign hotels.  |  |
| <p>To book accommodation separately at the Radisson Blue hotel (bed and breakfast) would be approximately £193 per night plus subsistence (£20 for dinner) and conference entry costs, totally approximately £726 excluding travel.</p> <p>There are four conference packages offered by ADEPT that available when booking the conference:</p> <p><b>Please tick the appropriate box (All sessions include lunch):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Conference Package A</b> Member Rate £350 + VAT, Non-Member Rate £495 + VAT<br/>Includes delegate attendance at both days of the conference plus dinner, bed &amp; breakfast on Thursday night</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Conference Package B</b> Member Rate £450 + VAT, Non-Member Rate £595 + VAT <br/>Includes delegate attendance at both days of the conference, bed &amp; breakfast on Wednesday night and dinner, bed &amp; breakfast on Thursday night</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Conference Package C</b> Member Rate £250 + VAT, Non-Member Rate £395 + VAT<br/>Includes delegate attendance at both days of the conference (no accommodation)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Conference Package D</b> Member Rate £150 + VAT, Non-Member Rate £295 + VAT<br/>Includes delegate attendance at one day of the conference (no accommodation)<br/>(Thursday/Friday* delete as appropriate)</p> <p>Options A and B include accommodation, breakfast and dinner as well as entrance fees and are therefore a more cost effective option. We are recommending Option B</p> <p>If Cllr Johnson chose to travel by car the mileage is approximately 196 miles each way and so the fuel claim would be £176.</p> <p>If he chose to take the train a return could be £65, however this is dependent on booking in advance and travelling at very specific times.</p> |  |
| <b>Purpose of the visit and anticipated value to the County Council:</b>  |  |
| <p>Strategic Place Directors across the country are helping their Authorities to successfully deliver economic growth and local jobs through initiatives that transform their localities.</p> <p>Key Place based services, such as Planning, Public Transport, Economic Development, Environment, Property, Highways and Housing, managed in a variety of combinations, are</p>   |  |

delivering projects that effectively unlock or protect Business Growth in a variety of ways.

This conference will give members, politicians, partners and stakeholders the opportunity to learn from real examples of such success. Also to hear more about the opportunities that exist and how challenges might be overcome, particularly in the context of the LEP and growth deal landscape. In looking forward to an election year the conference will provide the opportunity to hear and debate ADEPTs ideas for policy development by the next Government to aid this delivery agenda.

Comments of the Chief Executive

Agreed



Comments of the Section 151 Officer

Agreed

Margaret Lee