

87th Annual STUC Women's Conference – Invitation to Appoint Observers**Report by John Blair, Director, Resources****1 Introduction**

The Council is invited consider the attached letter of 4 June 2014 from the Assistant Secretary of the Scottish Trades Union Congress (STUC) which invites the Council to appoint observers to the 87th Annual STUC Women's Conference which will take place in Perth Concert Hall over Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 November 2014.

2 Background

The Council does not hold membership of the STUC.

3 Report Implications**3.1 Resource**

There will be no charge by the STUC for the attendance of Council appointed observers at the Conference. However, travel, overnight accommodation and subsistence could be chargeable by the observers.

3.2 Risk

There are no risk issues arising from this report.

3.3 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- ☐ Community safety
- ☐ Adult health, care and housing
- ☐ Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- ☐ Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- ☐ Sustainable growth
- ☐ Business transformation and Best Value
- ☒ None of the above

3.4 Key Priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan

Not applicable.

3.5 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

Not applicable.

3.6 Adopting a Preventative Approach

Not applicable.

3.7 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

Not applicable.

3.8 Ensuring Equalities

It is anticipated that various topics relating to equality and social justice as they affect women in the economy and in the workplace will be discussed at the conference.

3.9 Supporting Sustainable Development

Not applicable.

3.10 IT Issues

Not applicable.

4 Recommendation

The Council is invited to consider the invitation.

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