

Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

To: Corporate Policy and Resources Committee

Nominations to NILGA Working Groups and Associated Member Networks 17th November 2015

For decision

Linkage to Corporate Plan	
Strategic Priority	Leader and Champion
Objective	
Lead Officer	Moira Quinn
Cost: (If applicable)	

1.0 Nominations to NILGA Working Groups and Associated Member Networks

1.1 Background

Correspondence from NILGA on the above subject was tabled at Corporate Policy and Resources Committee on 27th October in which NILGA advised that its Executive has agreed a suite of Working Groups to consider key issues for local government at regional level.

It is hoped that two of the NILGA Working Groups can each be enhanced through the formation of an associated member network, with membership drawn directly from the 11 councils. Members will be requested to attend meetings between 2 and four times per year and will be a regular point of contact between NILGA and the council. NILGA will cover any travel expenses incurred.

Council is invited to nominate one Member to:

- **Community Planning and Well-being member network**
- **Planning and Regeneration member network**

It is anticipated that these networks will liaise closely with the NILGA working groups to:

- Identify regional member development requirements
- act as a mechanism for sharing good practice
- identify issues of concern requiring regional lobbying activity

1.2 Nominees

Committee sought confirmation on whether the nominees had to come from Council's representatives on NILGA.

NILGA has confirmed that nominees do not have to be drawn from the NILGA membership already identified by Council, but it would be preferable if they are involved in relevant council committees, to facilitate the development of a useful regional communications mechanism.

2.0 Recommendation

Committee is asked to make recommendation to Council on nominations for (i) one Member to the Community Planning and Well-being Network and (ii) one Member to the Planning and Regeneration Network