

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Finance and Resources
DATE	21 February 2013
LEAD OFFICER	Chief Executive
TITLE OF REPORT	Centre for Scottish Public Policy
REPORT NUMBER:	OCE/13/002

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The report seeks the Committee's agreement to the Council becoming a member of the Centre for Scottish Public Policy.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee agrees that the Council becomes a member of the Centre for Scottish Public Policy.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The membership fee for the Council for 2013 is £200. This sum can be met from the Council Financial Assistance Budget.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no other implications to this report.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

Attached as Appendix 1 is a letter to the Council Leader from the Policy Director of the Centre for Scottish Public Policy (CSPP) seeking the Council's membership.

The CSPP is an independent, membership based, cross-party think tank. It is not for profit organisation supported by funders including trusts, public, private and voluntary organisations and individuals.

For over a decade the CSPP has influenced public policy in Scotland by engaging in dialogue with over 1,000 stakeholders, CSPP members, Government Ministers, parliamentarians, councillors, members of the public and a whole range of cross-sector policy makers.

It is recommended that the Council becomes a member of the CSPP.

6. IMPACT

Membership of the CSPP will be beneficial to the Council in shaping the delivery of the five year business plan and the Single Outcome Agreement.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

8. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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