BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO COUNCIL

11 DECEMBER 2013

REPORT OF THE SECTION 151 OFFICER

AMENDMENT TO 2014-15 COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR COYCHURCH HIGHER AND COYCHURCH LOWER COMMUNITY COUNCILS

1. Purpose of Report.

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Council that the previously reported council tax base figures for Coychurch Lower and Coychurch Higher Community Councils were inadvertently transposed and need to be re-approved by Council.

2. Connection to Corporate Plan

2.1 The council tax base determines the amount of council tax which can be raised to fund the Council's annual budget. The Medium term Financial Strategy (MTFS) is an integral part of the Corporate Planning process.

3. Background.

3.1 The 2014-15 council tax base for the Council and individual Community Councils was previously approved by Council on 13 November 2013. Subsequently, it has been identified that the council tax base figures which were stated in Appendix A of the report for Coychurch Higher and Coychurch Lower Community Councils were transposed.

4. Current situation / proposal.

4.1 The correct council tax bases for both Community Councils, which require Council re- approval are shown in the table below:

Community Council	Total Tax Base	Percentage Collection Rate	Net Tax Base
Tax Base Approved 13 November 2013			
Coychurch Higher	659.19	97%	639.41
Coychurch Lower	339.00	97%	328.83
Correct Tax Base			
Coychurch Higher	339.00	97%	328.83
Coychurch Lower	659.19	97%	639.41

- 4.2 For the sake of completeness Appendix A, which provides details of all Community Council tax bases and includes the amendments in the above table, is attached for re-approval by Council.
- 5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.
- 5.1 The council tax base is set in accordance with the Policy Framework and Budget Procedure Rules.
- 6. Equality Impact Assessment
- 6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.
- 7. Financial Implications.
- 7.1 None arising from this report.
- 8. Recommendation.
- 8.1 Council is recommended to:
 - Re-approve Appendix A which includes the corrected council tax bases for Coychurch Lower and Coychurch Higher Community Councils.

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Background documents

Council Report (13 November 2013) - 2014-15 Council Tax Base

Appendix A

Estimated County Borough Tax Base 2014-15

Community Council Area	Total Tax Base	Estimated Collection Percentage	Net Tax Base
Brackla	4,239.47	97%	4,112.29
Bridgend	5,805.78	97%	5,631.61
Cefn Cribbwr	538.47	97%	522.32
Coity Higher	2,368.97	97%	2,297.90
Cornelly	2,494.47	97%	2,419.64
Coychurch Higher	339.00	97%	328.83
Coychurch Lower	659.19	97%	639.41
Garw	2,264.27	97%	2,196.34
Laleston	4,946.19	97%	4,797.80
Llangynwyd Lower	171.00	97%	165.87
Llangynwyd Middle	1,069.17	97%	1,037.09
Maesteg	5,626.79	97%	5,457.99
Merthyr Mawr	150.39	97%	145.88
Newcastle Higher	1,623.51	97%	1,574.81
Ogmore Vale	2,570.28	97%	2,493.17
Pencoed	3,428.60	97%	3,325.74
Porthcawl	7,958.37	97%	7,719.62
Pyle	2,535.27	97%	2,459.21
St Brides Minor	2,126.90	97%	2,063.09
Ynysawdre	1,214.01	97%	1,177.59
Total County Borough	52,130.10	97%	50,566.20