

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET

28 MARCH 2017

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

DELEGATIONS TO CHIEF OFFICERS – ELECTION PERIOD

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek the approval of Cabinet of proposed arrangements to enable the Authority to continue to function effectively during the period between the forthcoming election and the appointment of a Leader and Cabinet at the Annual Meeting of Council.

2. Connection to Corporate Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

- 2.1 The report deals with the overall probity of decision making and therefore has a potential impact on all priorities.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Local Government Elections are scheduled to take place on 4 May 2017. Existing Members hold office until the fourth day after the Elections and new Members take office on the fourth day following the Elections. A Leader will be elected and a Cabinet appointed at the Annual Meeting of Council scheduled to be held on 17 May 2017.
- 3.2 There will be a period of time, during May 2017, where the Authority will be without a Cabinet. In order for the Authority to continue to function effectively arrangements will need to be put in place providing for the delegation of Cabinet functions.

4. Current situation / proposal

- 4.1 It is proposed that from 4th May 2017 (the date of the Local Government Election) to 17 May 2017 (Annual Meeting of Council) any functions which are the responsibility of the Cabinet shall be allocated to and discharged by the relevant Chief Officer. Where there is a requirement within the Scheme of Delegation to consult with Cabinet Members, the requirement is suspended for the same period of time.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules

- 5.1 This report will temporarily affect the Procedure Rules.

6. Equalities Impact Assessment

- 6.1 There are no equality implications attached to this report.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications attached to this report.

8. Recommendation

8.1 That Cabinet approves the proposal set out at paragraph 4.1 of this report.

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Background Papers:

None