

**BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**REPORT TO THE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

**26 JUNE 2014**

**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE -  
LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES**

**DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE SITE VISIT PANEL**

**1. Purpose of Report .**

1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Development Control Committee to consider nominating Members to form the Committee's Site Visit Panel, to comprise of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and a third Member, and to also consider whether or not the Panel should be increased in size in terms of its current membership.

**2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives / Other Corporate Priorities.**

2.1 The establishment of necessary Committees and other bodies fulfils the requirements of the Constitution and enables the Authority to work towards the successful achievement of all its Corporate Priorities.

**3. Background.**

3.1 At a meeting of the Development Control Committee on 31 May 2012 after the last County Borough Elections, the Committee agreed to establish a Site Visit Panel.

3.2 The Committee at the above meeting appointed 4 of its Members to form the Panel, as illustrated in Paragraph 1.1 of this report (together with a Reserve Member), in order to undertake visits of planning application sites.

3.3 Members will recall that this item was deferred by the Development Control Committee at its meeting dated 29 May 2014.

**4. Current situation / proposal.**

4.1 The recent Annual meeting of Council approved a change to the membership of the Development Control Committee, and therefore, as a result of this, the formation of the Panel needs to be re-considered.

**5. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules.**

5.1 This report accords with the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Authority's Constitution.

**6. Equality Impact Assessment.**

6.1 There are no equality implications regarding this report.

## **7. Financial Implications.**

7.1 The cost implications relating to the report will be met within existing budgets.

## **8. Recommendation.**

8.1 That the Development Control Committee is recommended to nominate Members to sit as its Site Visit Panel, to include:

- The Chairperson of the Development Control Committee;
- The Vice-Chairperson of the Development Control Committee;
- A third Member;
- Any additional Members should the Committee consider it necessary to increase the overall size of the Panel

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### **Background documents:**

Report (and Minute) of the Development Control Committee dated 31 May 2012 entitled Site Visit Panel