

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 19th February, 2014

Agenda Item 2

SUBJECT:

Review of the Cap in relation to Members' Indemnities

Cabinet Members Present County Borough Councillors:

A.Christopher (Chairman), P.Cannon, R.Bevan, (Mrs.)A.Davies, M.Forey, (Mrs.)E.Hanagan, C.Middle, A.Morgan, M.Webber and C.J.Willis

Other Members in Attendance County Borough Councillors:

S.Bradwick, A.L.Davies, MBE, R.Lewis, R.B.McDonald, M.J.Powell, S.Rees-Owen, R.W.Smith and T.Williams

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed – That a recommendation be made to Council at its meeting on the 26th February, 2014 that the Authority reduce its cap in relation to Members' indemnities from £50,000 to £20,000 with the Standards Committee determining on a case by case basis, each application for a costs indemnity in order to decide whether an indemnity should be given at all.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

Under the Local Authorities (Indemnities for Members and Officers) (Wales)
Order 2006 (`2006 regulations`) the need to consider whether to provide an
indemnity for Members in respect of legal costs incurred in relation to
misconduct proceedings brought against them under the Local Government
Act 2000 and the current cap for this Authority to be reduced as
recommended by the Standards Committee.

3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

Standards Committee – 28th June, 2013.

4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE): N/A

6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

N/A as the matter is to be reported to Council on the 26th February, 2014.

6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:

N/A

6. (c)	SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:				
		N/A	N/A		
		(Mayor)		(Dated)	
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(Proper Officer)		 (C	Dated)	•••••	