RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Democratic Services Committee held at The Pavilions, Clydach Vale on Wednesday, 3 December 2014 at 5.15 p.m.

PRESENT

County Borough Councillor P.Jarman - in the Chair

County Borough Councillors

L.M.Adams (Mrs) S.J.Jones (Mrs) A.Calvert (Mrs) C.Leyshon

(Mrs) A.Davies M.Norris

P.Howe (Mrs) M.Webber

Officer in Attendance

Mr.P.J.Lucas – Director, Legal & Democratic Services

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from County Borough Councillors S.A.Bradwick, (Mrs) M.E.Daves, A.S.Fox, P.Griffiths, S.Lloyd and K.Morgan.

12. <u>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</u>

There were no declarations of personal interests in matters pertaining to the agenda.

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

13. <u>DESIGNATION OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES</u>

In his report, the Head of Paid Service outlined the background to the above-mentioned matter and invited the Committee to consider his recommendation to designate Ms.Karyl May as Head of Democratic Services following the realignment of `Corporate' responsibilities within the Authority.

During consideration of the report, Members wished to place on record their personal thanks to Ms.May for all the hard work, dedication and valued support she had provided to them in her role as Democratic Services Manager. Members considered that the role of `Head of Democratic Services' would be ably discharged by Ms.May and queried the salary to be paid for undertaking the post of `Head of Democratic Services'.

In response, the Director, Legal & Democratic Services advised that the Democratic Services Committee was only tasked to designate a Council Officer as the Head of Democratic Services and the matter of remuneration would be dealt appropriately by the Director, Human Resources.

Following consideration of the report, it was **RESOLVED** –

- (1) To designate Ms.Karyl May as the Head of Democratic Services in accordance with the requirements of the "Measure" and following the re-alignment of "Corporate" responsibilities.
- (2) To note that Members will receive a report at the next meeting of the Democratic Services Committee from the newly designated Head of Democratic Services concerning the Council's discharge of Democratic Services functions and sufficiency of resources.

P.JARMAN CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 5.25 p.m.