



RHONDDA CYNON TAF

RECORD OF DELEGATED OFFICER DECISION

SUBJECT: Welsh Language Scheme – Annual Monitoring Report June 2014

PURPOSE OF ATTACHED REPORT:

The report provides information on the Council's management and service delivery of Welsh language matters. The report content and monitoring reflects the period April 2013 – March 2014. The report is to be presented to the Welsh Language Commissioner will comment on the Council's performance and compliance with its Welsh Statutory Welsh Language Scheme and agree further actions to be taken.

DELEGATED DECISION (Date):

Chief Officer Signature

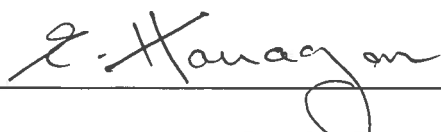
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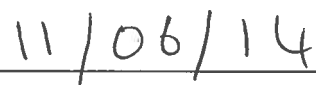
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The decision is taken in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government Act, 2000 (Executive Functions) and in the terms set out in Section 5 of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution



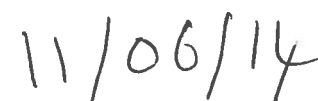
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RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

**MUNICIPAL YEAR 2013-2014: REPORT TO ACCOMPANY RECORD OF
OFFICER DELEGATED DECISION**

Part I

**Welsh Language Scheme – Annual
Monitoring Report June 2014**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The Annual Monitoring Report for 2013/14 documents compliance and progress against the Council's Welsh Language Scheme and against a set of national performance indicators.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Member and Officer Champions note the contents of the attached report and the progress made by the Council and approve the report for submission to the Welsh Language Commissioner.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Following approval, the report will be sent to the Welsh Language Commissioner to enable a judgement to be made with regard to the Council's level of compliance against its approved Welsh Language Scheme and also to receive recommendations against the national performance indicators.
- 3.2 The Council's Welsh Language Scheme aims to ensure that the use of the Welsh Language is safeguarded and promoted throughout the County Borough, and that the Council will treat Welsh and English on the basis of equality. It is intended that both languages will enjoy the same status and validity.
- 3.3 The Annual Monitoring Report details progress made over the period April 2013 – March 2014. There are areas of good practice and compliance with the Council's Welsh Language Scheme although it is recognised that there are areas requiring development and awareness raising remains to be done at all levels. In particular, future focus needs to be on implementing the Council's Linguistics Skills Strategy.