

**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL YEAR 2016/2017**

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE
21ST SEPTEMBER 2016**

**REPORT OF:
THE MONITORING OFFICER**

Agenda Item No: 3(1)

**MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE AT
MEETINGS
UPDATE**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To update the Committee on its proposals to monitor the attendance of Members at meetings referred to the Council's Annual General Meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To note the decision of Council that the proposals be referred for consideration by the Democratic Services Committee.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As part of its Work Programme the Committee has considered Members' attendance at meetings and made recommendations to the Council's Annual General Meeting.

- 3.2 The Annual General Meeting held on the 25th of May 2016 - Minute 9.7 Members' Attendance at Meetings – resolved:

“(i) To note that the Chairman of the Standards was arranging to meet with Leaders of the Council's Political Groups prior to the Annual General Meeting on the 25th of May 2016 to outline the intention of the Standards Committee to monitor Members' attendance at meetings in the future and recommend to the Council's AGM changes to the manner of recording Members' attendances.

(ii) That the following recommendations from the Standards Committee, that in future, the following data be captured with regard the Members' attendance at each meeting be referred for consideration to the Democratic Services Committee.

- Members' Attendance / Non Attendance.
- Recording whether apologies were given (or not) for non attendance by a Member.
- Whether a Member remained for the duration of the meeting or left prior to the conclusion."