EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD CABINET BOARD – 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2012 POLICY AND RESOURCES

Cabinet Board Members:

Councillors: A.H.Thomas (Chairman) and P.A.Rees

Officers in Attendance:

H.Jenkins and Miss G.Cirillo

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Councillor A.H.Thomas be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES CABINET BOARD HELD ON THE 27TH JULY, 2012

Noted by the Committee.

Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services

3. <u>MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS</u>

Decision:

That the following applications for grant be approved in accordance with the approved criteria:-

- 1. Dyffryn Community Garden Association, Dyffryn, Cymmer £15 per annum, as a contribution to annual rent;
- 2. Christian Lewis Trust, Cardiff £250 annual grant

Reason for Decision:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

4. <u>COMMUNITY COUNCILS' MINOR PROJECTS SCHEME</u>

Decision:

That the following applications received under the Community Councils' Minor Project Scheme, be approved:-

- 1. Blaenhonddan Community Council -30% up to a maximum grant of £6,000 in accordance with the schedule and subject to receipt of paid invoices, together with a copy bank statement;
- 2. Glynneath Town Council support of 50% up to a maximum of £10,000 in accordance with the schedule and subject to receipt of paid invoices, together with a copy bank statement.

Reason for Decision:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

Report of the Head of Financial Services

5. <u>MEMBERS REMUNERATION – THE INDEPENDENT</u> <u>REMUNERATE PANEL FOR WALES DRAFT REPORT FOR</u> 2013/14

Decision:

That the above report be noted and any response be forwarded to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales.

Reason for Decision:

To enable Members to consider the contents of the draft report and feedback any responses to the Independent Remunerate Panel for Wales by the 28th September, 2012.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

6. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A SINGLE TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF A WEB BASED VIRTUAL LIBRARY

Decision:

That the proposal to award a corporate description for the "Technical Indexes" Service to IHS (Global) Limited, as detailed in the circulated report, with the commencement date of the 19th November 2012, for a period of 3 years, be approved.

Reason for Decision:

To obtain the most cost effective and efficient arrangement for a subscription based library accessed system for the Authority, and to ensure the Authority complies with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

7. **INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS 2012**

Decision:

That the Insurance Arrangements, as detailed in the circulated report, be noted.

8. <u>ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN REPORT</u> 2011/12

Decision:

That Members note the 2011/12 treasury management function performance as set out in the circulated report, including the actual 2011/12 prudential and treasury indicators.

Reason for Decision:

In compliance with Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

9. TREASURY MANAGEMENT PROGRESS REPORT

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation

10. NEATH PORT TALBOT LOCAL SERVICE BOARD AND THE SINGLE INTEGRATED PLAN

Decision:

That the approach and proposals, as detailed in the circulated report, for the production of the Neath Port Talbot Local Service Board Single Integrated Plan, be approved.

Reason for Decision:

It is a statutory requirement to produce a Single Integrated Plan.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

11. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Decision:

That the report be noted.

12. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA – OVERVIEW

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Legal Services

13. RECOMMENDATION TO WELSH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH THE WELSH GOVERNMENT TO INTRODUCE A "GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE" IN WALES

Decision:

That the Head of Legal Services be granted authority to contact the Welsh Local Government Association ("WLGA") to request they enter into discussions with the Welsh Government to introduce a similar legislative power to that which the Localism Act 2011 introduced in England, providing Local Authorities in England a "general power of competence".

Reason for Decision:

As contained in the circulated report.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

Report of the Head of ICT

14. MAXIMISING ATTENDANCE AT WORK – ICT BUSINESS SERVICES

Decision:

That the report be noted.

15. ACCESS TO MEETINGS

Decision:

That pursuant to Regulation 4(3) and (5) of Statutory Instrument 2001 No. 2290, the public be excluded for the following item of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12, 13 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Private Report of the Head of Financial Services

16. **APPLICATION FOR HARDSHIP RELIEF**

Decision:

That Members refuse the following application for a grant of hardship relief, as it did not comply with the criteria:-

SBTR - Neath

Reason for Decision:

Not in compliance with criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

CHAIRMAN