POLICY AND RESOURCES CABINET BOARD

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF CORPORATE STRATEGY AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES – MRS. K. JONES

9TH APRIL 2015

SECTION B - MATTER FOR INFORMATION

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

OFFICER URGENCY ACTION – DELIVERY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF WORK AND PENSIONS TO SUPPORT UNIVERSAL CREDIT

The following urgency decision has been determined by the head of Corporate Strategy and Democratic Services in consultation with the requisite Members for immediate implementation. There is no call-in of this matter.

Urgency Action No: 0027

Date: 23rd February 2015

Re: Delivery Partnership Agreement with the Department of Work and Pensions to Support Universal Credit.

The Urgency Action sought approval that delegated authority be given to the Head of Financial Services in conjunction with the Chief Executive and the Cabinet Member for Finance to agree funding and to authorise the Delivery Partnership Agreement with the Department of Work and Pensions to support Universal Credit. Universal Credit is being rolled out across the country by the Department of work and Pensions. Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council is in the next tranche, and expects its first Universal Credit claim in early April 2015.

This Urgency Action will enable Officers to sign the Agreement so that support is in place before Universal Credit is introduced in Neath Port Talbot.

<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the report be noted.