NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Cabinet (Finance) Sub Committee

1st August 2018

Report of the Head of Financial Services – David Rees

Matter for Decision: Council Tax and Business Rates

REPRESENTATIVES AT MAGISTATES COURT PROCEEDINGS

Wards Affected: All

Purpose of Report

1. To update the list of staff who are authorised to represent the Authority at Magistrates Court proceedings.

Background

2. Following changes in the Council Tax section there is a need to update the list of staff who are authorised to represent the Council at Magistrates Court proceedings for the recovery of Council Tax and Business Rates.

Proposal

3. In pursuant to section 223 of the Local Government Finance Act 1972, Julia Jervis and Stuart Mason be authorised to represent the Authority in proceedings before a Magistrate Court for the purpose of the recovery of Council Tax and Business Rates and Irena Smith and Valerie Edwards be removed from the list of authorised personnel.

Current list: Mrs A Hinder Mrs R Stanbury Mr C Watkins Mrs A Greenway Miss V Edwards Mrs P Roberts Mrs I Smith Mrs L Lewis Mrs L Morgan

Financial Impact

4. There are no financial impacts arising from this report.

Equality impact assessment

5. There was no requirement for an equality impact assessment in terms of this report.

Workforce impacts

6. There are no workforce impacts arising from this report.

Legal impact

7. There are no legal impacts arising from this report.

Risk management

8. There are no risk management issues arising from this report.

Consultation

9. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

 Recommended revised list of people to represent the Authority in proceedings before a Magistrates Court for the purpose of the recovery of Council Tax and Business rates-

Mrs A Hinder Mrs R Stanbury Mrs Lisa Morgan Mrs A Greenway Mrs J Jervis Mrs P Roberts Mr S Mason Mrs L Lewis Mr C Watkins

Reason for proposed decision

11. To confirm officers authorised to represent the Authority at Magistrate Court proceedings.

Implementation of decision

12. The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period.

Appendices

13. None

List of background papers

14. Local Government Finance Act 1972

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