

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

7 March 2019

Report of the Head of Corporate Strategy and Democratic Services - K. Jones

Matter for Information

Wards Affected:

All Wards

Disability Audit - Update

Purpose of the Report

1. To update Committee on the progress made on carrying out a Disability Audit in relation to Members' facilities.

Background

2. In accordance with Minute No 7 of the Democratic Services Committee held on 5 September 2018, a proposal has now been received from Proudlock Associates (sub-contractors for Shaw Trust) to carry out a disability audit of Members' areas of work at Port Talbot Civic Centre and Neath Civic Centre. The proposal is due to be considered at the first Disability Audit Group meeting on the 14th March 2019.

Financial Impact

3. This will be accommodated within the existing budget for Member Development Support. The recommendations of the Working Group once the audit has concluded may also have some financial impacts.

Equality Impact Assessment

4. This would assist the Council to meet its equality duties.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal Powers

5. Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (S.7)

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/mwa/2011/4/contents>

Risk Management

6. Carrying out the disability audit will remove barriers for Members to access their workplace and facilities.

Consultation

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

Recommendation

8. The matter is for information to update the committee on the progress made on carrying out a Disability Audit in relation to Members' facilities.

List of Background Papers

9. Local Government Measure Wales 2011- Officer Contacts

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/localgovernment/publications/statguide/?lang=en>

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