County Council

19 July 2022

Member Dispensation

Recommendation

That the Council approves the absence of Councillor Howard Roberts from meetings of the authority on the grounds of ill health

1. **Proposed Dispensation**

- 1.1 Section 85 Local Government Act 1972 provides that if a member of a local authority fails to attend a meeting throughout a period of six consecutive months from the date of their last attendance at any meeting of the authority, they shall, unless the failure was due to some reason approved by the authority, before the expiry of that period, cease to be a member of the authority.
- 1.2 Councillor Howard Roberts is unwell and has not been able to attend meetings. Councillor Roberts attended his last formal meeting on 8 February 2022 and the six-month period will expire on 7 August 2022. As there is no Council meeting in August and the six months would expire before the September meeting is held, a dispensation request is brought to this session of Council and Council is asked to approve the absence of Councillor Roberts whilst he is unwell.

2. Financial Implications

- 2.1 None
- 3. Environmental Implications
- 3.1 None

4. Timescales associated with the decision and next steps

4.1 The decision will take effect upon approval by the Council

Background Papers

None

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