

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR RESOURCES

MONDAY, 7 September 2015

PRESENT: Councillor: D.M. Jenkins (Executive Board Member).

The following Officers were in attendance:

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

L James, Housing Services Manager

Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen - 2.00 pm - 2.45 pm

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

There were no declarations of interest.

2. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23RD JULY, 2015.

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 23rd July 2015 be signed as a correct record.

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORDS OF THE JOINT MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS FOR HOUSING AND RESOURCES HELD ON THE 29TH JUNE, 2015 AND THE 23RD JULY, 2015.

RESOLVED that the decision records of the joint meetings of the Executive Board Members for Housing and Resources held on the 29th June 2015 and 23rd July 2015 be signed as correct records.

4. FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE AND FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER MAY CONSIDER THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS NOT FOR PUBLICATION AS IT CONTAINS EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 14 OF PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 12A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) (WALES) ORDER 2007.

RESOLVED pursuant to The Local Government Act, 1972 as amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

5. FORMER TENANT DEBT WRITE-OFF.

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report contained information about individuals' indebtedness and/or personal information. Although public disclosure of the report would promote accountability for public finances, it would release confidential financial information. On balance therefore, the public interest in disclosure at this time is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining confidentiality.

The Executive Board Member considered a report prepared in accordance with the Council's Financial Procedure Rules seeking the write-off of former tenant debts in excess of £1,500.00. The Former Tenant Arrears Policy clearly detailed the criteria which needed to be met when determining whether it was uneconomical to pursue a former tenant debt any further.

The Executive Board Member considered a schedule of cases for write-off all of which met the requirements of the policy.

RESOLVED that the former tenant debt arrears detailed within the report be written-off as irrecoverable.

CHAIR

DATE