

**COUNCIL****20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2012****APPROVAL OF REASON FOR FAILURE TO ATTEND MEETINGS –  
COUNCILLOR K ROLPH****Report of the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services****1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Council, under Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972, to the reason for Councillor Rolph's current inability to attend meetings due to illness.

**2.0 Background**

- 2.1** Section 85(1) of the Act provides that "if a Member of a local authority fails throughout a period of six consecutive months from the date of his last attendance to attend any meeting of the authority, he 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."
- 2.2** Due to an extended illness, Councillor Rolph has been unable to attend any meeting of the authority since her last attendance on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012.

**3.0 Recommendation**

- 3.1** The Council is accordingly asked to consider approving Councillor Rolph's reason for failure to attend meetings in accordance with Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

