

TYNE AND WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

Item No. 4

MEETING: 13 DECEMBER 2021

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF REASON FOR ABSENCE FROM MEETINGS

**JOINT REPORT OF THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER/CHIEF EXECUTIVE (CLERK TO
THE AUTHORITY) AND DEPUTY CLERK TO THE AUTHORITY**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Authority, under Section 85 Local Government Act 1972 (the Act), to the absence of a co-opted member from meetings.

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 ill health, Miss G. Goodwill, co-opted member on the Governance Committee, has not been able to attend a meeting since her re-appointment at the Annual Authority meeting on 14 June 2021.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.0** The Authority is recommended to note Miss Goodwill’s absence from meetings due to ill health and, in accordance with section 85 Local Government Act 1972 (the Act), approve the reason for her absence from meetings, such approval to apply up to and including 7 March 2022.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

The under mentioned Background Papers refer to the subject matter of the above report:

None

