



## CABINET – 5TH FEBRUARY 2013

**SUBJECT: HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT CHARGES – 2013-2014**

**REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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- 1.1 The report was considered by the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 30th January 2013.
- 1.2 Members noted and welcomed that the review of older peoples' accommodation was nearing completion and commented that a key outcome was to achieve service equality across the county borough.
- 1.3 The Scrutiny Committee endorsed the report and recommended to Cabinet that, for the reasons contained therein:-
  - (a) An average rent increase based on WG guidelines, be agreed of 4%, (£3.00) per property from April 2013;
  - (b) The service charge at sheltered complexes with communal facilities be increased to £22.14 over a 48-week basis from April 2013;
  - (c) The service charge in the four sheltered schemes without communal facilities be increased to £15.37 over a 48 week basis from April 2013;
  - (d) The service charge at sheltered complexes with communal facilities be increased to £22.14 over a 48-week basis from April 2013;
  - (e) The service charge payable by residents of Tredegar Court be increased to £61.50 over a 48-week basis from April 2013;
  - (f) The meal cost at Tredegar Court be increased to £33.84 based on a 48-week basis from April 2013;
  - (g) The utility charges in sheltered housing schemes where tenants currently pay a standard charge be increased to £17.03 based on a 48-week basis from April 2013;
  - (h) The guest room charge at sheltered housing complexes are not increased from April 2013;
  - (i) The charges at Ty Croeso to be determined at a later date;
  - (j) The community alarm charge for council and non-council tenants increase to £3.10 based on a 48-week from April 2013; and
  - (k) The garage charges for Council and non-council tenants increase to £7.50 based on a 48-week basis from April 2013.
- 1.4 Members are asked to consider the recommendations.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Report 7(1) dated 30th January 2013