



CABINET – 30TH APRIL 2014

SUBJECT: NO SMOKING POLICY

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151 OFFICER

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- 1.1 The attached report, which detailed the Council's revised No Smoking Policy and sought comments from Members on the proposed recommendations contained therein, was considered by the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 15th April 2014.
 - 1.2 Members were advised that the Council has had a No Smoking Policy for a number of years, and that it was proposed to amend the current Policy to take account of the introduction, and usage, of electronic cigarettes in the UK. In view of the lead established by Welsh Government and Aneurin Bevan Health Board and in line with the stance taken by other local authorities, it has been proposed that electronic cigarettes are treated in the same way as conventional cigarettes and that their use be prohibited on Council premises and in Council vehicles. This Policy will apply to all Council employees.
 - 1.3 In addition a new Smoke Free Premises Policy will be developed as a matter of urgency by colleagues from within Public Protection, in conjunction with all other relevant interested parties. This new Policy will apply to the general public whilst on Council premises, including Members.
 - 1.4 Officers confirmed that the revised No Smoking Policy would be reviewed in 2015, in line with the anticipated introduction of national legislation regarding e-cigarettes
 - 1.5 Following discussion on the content of the report, the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee unanimously recommended that for the reasons contained therein, the revised No Smoking Policy be submitted to Cabinet for adoption.
 - 1.6 Members are asked to consider the recommendations.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Report to Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 15th April 2014 – Agenda Item 7(1)