



PENSIONS/COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, PENALLTA HOUSE,
YSTRAD MYNACH ON TUESDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 10.00 A.M.**

PRESENT:

Councillor A.J. Pritchard - Chairman

Councillors:

D.M. Gray, C.P. Mann, D.V. Poole

Appropriate Cabinet Members - Councillors Miss L. Ackerman and J.E. Fussell

Together with:

N. Barnett (Deputy Chief Executive), G. Hardacre (Head of People Management and Development), K. Evans (Corporate HR Manager), P. Evans (Head of ICT Services), M. Williams (Head of Public Services), L. Donovan (HR Service Manager), H., Morgan (Senior Committee Services Officer).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs. A. Blackman Mrs. A. Collins and A.S. Williams.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the beginning or during the course of the meeting.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR THE RELEASE OF PENSION BENEFITS UNDER REGULATION 30 (85 YEAR RULE)

Members considered five public interest test certificates from the Proper Officer and concluded that on balance the public interests in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information and it was:-

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure to them of exempt information as identified in paragraphs 12 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Consideration was given to the three reports circulated with the agenda and two additional reports tabled at the meeting which detailed various applications for early access to pension. It was noted that four of the applicants qualify to apply for early release given their age and continuous service and, whilst the third applicant does not meet the 85 rule, they still qualify

for early release of pension benefits under Regulation 30.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the reports and outlined at the meeting:-

- (i) IR be granted access to his pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85 year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (ii) KB be granted access to his pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85 year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (iii) RC be granted access to his pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85 year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (iv) JM is granted access to her pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85-year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (v) SP be granted access to her pension benefits by virtue of Regulation 30 (85-year rule) of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

The meeting closed at 10.20 a.m.