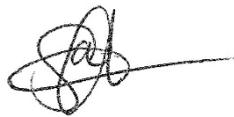

MEMBER QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

1 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

- 1.1 The Proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12.2, the following Member questions have been received:
- 1.2 From Cllr M G Wilkinson to the Portfolio Holder for Governance
- 1.3 'Could the Portfolio Holder for Governance please give this Council reassurance that she has put procedures in place to ensure that the number of votes cast in any Council meeting correspond with the number of Members present at the meeting and explain to this Council what those procedures are. We have seen examples recently where the numbers have not been correct yet the Chairman has moved the meeting on without the discrepancy being dealt with.

In addition – can she also give the Members reassurance that she has also put a procedure in place to give clarity to Members when voting at Annual Council for Outside Bodies where there is more than one position. The last Annual Council saw a great deal of confusion where Members did not know how many votes they could cast and the Monitoring Officer's explanation at the time sadly did not assist. Members need clarity moving forward so that we all know how many times we can vote on a particular subject.'



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Background Papers:-

None.

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