

Meeting of the Full Council
Meeting to be held on Thursday, 23 May 2019

Report submitted by: Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Part A

Electoral Division affected:
None;

Non-Attendance of County Councillor

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Executive Summary

This report asks Full Council to consider the non-attendance of County Councillor Jenny Purcell at meetings of the council and committees.

Recommendation

Full Council is asked to consider approving the non-attendance of County Councillor Jenny Purcell at meetings of the council and committees for reasons of illness, for the purposes of Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, until 17 October 2019.

Background and Advice

Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, if a member of a local authority fails, throughout a period of six consecutive months from the date of his/her last attendance, to attend any meeting of the authority he/she shall cease to be a member of the authority unless the reasons for non-attendance are approved by the authority before the expiry of the six month period.

Due to illness, County Councillor Purcell last attended a meeting on 7 January 2019 and the six months will, therefore, expire on 7 July 2019 which is prior to the next meeting of Full Council on 18 July 2019. Full Council is, therefore, asked to consider approving the non-attendance of County Councillor Purcell for the purposes of Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, on the grounds of illness from 8 January 2019 until 17 October 2019.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

Without the approval of Full Council to the reason for non-attendance, County Councillor Purcell would cease to be a member of the county council.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

List of Background Papers

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A