

## Item 17

## Council - 11 December 2025

## Dispensation for Councillor Leave of Absence - Councillor A Roberts

## 1. Introduction

- 2. Councillor A Roberts has notified the Authority that due to personal circumstance he may be absent from Council meetings for some time. This could result in a breach of Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 whereby failure to attend meetings of the Authority for a period of 6 consecutive months would mean that the Councillor would cease to be a member.
- 3. In accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972, Councillor A Roberts has requested dispensation not to attend meetings for the period up to and including 13 February 2026.
- 4. Section 85 of the Act allows an Authority to approve a leave of absence, however, the approval must be granted before the expiry of the six-month period. Councillor A Roberts last attended a meeting of Council on 8 July 2025.
- 5. Council must therefore consider the request for leave of absence before 7 January 2026.
- 6. Councillor A Roberts Ward duties will be undertaken by Councillor Colleagues within the Community Council area.
- 7. **Recommended** that Councillor A Roberts be granted dispensation not to attend meetings for the period up to and including 13 February 2026 in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Background Papers: None.

Appendices: None.

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Clerk of Llangyfelach Community Council