County Council

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Report of the Monitoring Officer – Appointment of Deputy Section 151 Officer

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1. Summary

1.1 This report sets out decisions on the proposed appointment of a Deputy Section 151 Officer.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Appointment of Deputy Section 151 Officer

To appoint the post and postholder of Strategic Manager Finance Business Partnering, currently held by Sian Kenny, as a Deputy Section 151 Officer (see section 3.3 of this report) with effect from 1 March 2020.

3. Background

3.1. Appointment of a Deputy Section 151 Officer

3.1.1 In January 2020, the Council appointed the Jason Vaughan, Director of Finance, to the statutory role of Section 151 Officer with effect from 1 March 2020. Council needs to formally approve the appointment of any deputy Section 151 Officers who will undertake the statutory role in the absence of the Section 151 Officer. Jason Vaughan is currently he Council's Deputy Section 151 Officer.

Both the Director of Finance and the Chief Executive recommend that Council appoint the Strategic Manager Finance Business Partnering, Sian Kenny as a Deputy Section 151 Officer.

3.3.2 The Officer Scheme of Delegation refers to officers authorised to substitute for a Director and key statutory posts. Subject to the Council's approval to the proposed appointment, the Monitoring Officer will need to be amend the Scheme of Delegation to reflect this change.

4. Implications

4.1 Legal & Risk: This report complies with all legal requirements. The only risk to the Council would result from the Council failing to fulfil its legal obligations as set out in the report through any decisions taken or not taken at this meeting.

- **4.2** All of the proposed appointments are in accordance with legal requirements and the Councils Constitution.
- **4.2 Financial, equalities, sustainability and community safety implications**: There are no direct equalities implications arising from any of the proposals in this report. There are also no direct financial, sustainability or community safety implications.
- 5. Background papers
- **5.1** Councils Constitution