

Committee: Democratic Services Committee

Date of meeting: **23rd October 2018**

Report Subject: **Wales Charter for Members Support and Development**

Portfolio Holder: **Cllr N. Daniels, Leader / Executive Member Corporate Services**

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Reporting Pathway								
Directorate Management Team	Corporate Leadership Team	Portfolio Holder / Chair	Audit Committee	Democratic Services Committee	Scrutiny Committee	Executive Committee	Council	Other (please state)
11.10.2018	16/10/18			23.10.18			08.11.2018	

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to present the Wales Charter for Member Support and Development attached at Appendix 1.

The Council has been successful in their resubmission of the Charter.

2. Scope and Background

This year, Blaenau Gwent Council submitted an application to the WLGA for consideration of receiving the Wales Charter for Member Support and Development.

In August 2018, Blaenau Gwent received confirmation that we were successful. In the letter the WLGA wrote:

'The WLGA would like to commend Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council for your excellent submission for the renewal of the Wales Charter for Member Support and Development. The information and evidence provided clearly demonstrate that all the required criteria have been met or exceeded, showing that the required arrangements for member support and development are in place'.

The full letter is provided at Appendix 1.

3. Options for Recommendation

- 3.1 *To include Recommendation(s) / Endorsement by other groups, e.g. CMT/Committees/Other groups)*

Note the content of the report prior to approval at Council, whereby the WLGA will attend to present the Wales Charter for Member Support and Development to Council.