

**Extract from the draft minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 26 January 2022**

**632. Councillor Development Policy and Strategy**

The Assistant Director, Corporate and Improvement Services, submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

*RESOLVED* that the draft Councillor Development Policy and Councillor Development Strategy be approved.

*RECOMMEDED to COUNCIL* that the Councillor Development Policy be adopted.

***REASONS***

The Councillor Development Policy needs to be reviewed to ensure it remains relevant and up to date. The updated policy proposed the introduction of a Councillor Development Strategy.

Both the Councillor Development Policy and Strategy are key documents that will support the Council's bid for reaccreditation for the Councillor Development Charter. The benefits of the Charter are that it demonstrates that the Council's member development processes are in line with good practice. This provides reassurance to current and potential members, and to other external inspections such as Peer Reviews. It also provides a reassurance to residents that their elected representatives are provided with effective support to enable them to undertake their roles and responsibilities effectively

***ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS***

No alternative options were proposed.