#### COUNCIL

#### **7 FEBRUARY 2017**

#### REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

#### A.3 APPROVAL OF NON-ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

#### **PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION**

#### **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

To approve the reason for Councillor Callender's non-attendance at meetings of the Council etc. if he does not attend before 6 March 2017.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The last meeting which Councillor Callender attended was that of the full Council on 6 September 2016. Since then, Members will be aware that Councillor Callender, following a period of time in which he nursed his sick wife in a hospice and who then sadly passed away, has not been able to attend meetings due to his bereavement.

If a Councillor does not attend any meeting of the Council (or any of its Committees or Sub-Committees) for a consecutive period of six months, Section 85 of Part V of the Local Government Act 1972 disqualifies them unless the Full Council approves the reason for non-attendance before the end of that period.

This is the last scheduled meeting of the Full Council before the six-month period expires.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Council approves Councillor Callender's reason (namely bereavement) for nonattendance at meetings of the Council in the event of him not attending a meeting before 6 March 2017.

> IAN DAVIDSON CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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# BACKGROUND PAPERS LIST FOR REPORTS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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None.