

## **Standards Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018.**

### **Non-Attendance - Treasury Management Development Sessions**

At the Treasury Management Development Session held on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 there were a number of Members who did not complete the required training for 2017-18. During 2017-17 three sessions were held and a Member was required to attend one of those sessions to complete the Mandatory Training for the year. The sessions were held on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2017, 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2018 and 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

As required by the Council's policy relating to Mandatory Development, the Head of Democratic Services has written to those Members who did not complete their Mandatory Sessions and asked them for a written explanation or offered them the ability to make a verbal presentation to the Committee at its meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018.

The responses from Members are included below:

#### **County Councillor Myfanwy Alexander.**

I could not attend the Treasury Management Committee due to other diary responsibilities. As I know you are aware, diary clashes are very difficult to manage and at times, ward work and Cabinet responsibilities make it impossible to do everything. I would be more than happy to undertake this training online.

#### **County Councillor Mark Barnes.**

Thank you for your email and it is with regret that I did not attend the recent mandatory training or the previous opportunities that I had to take the training.

20<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 – there was a need to find an alternative school for his son and an appointment came up at short notice at the new school on 20<sup>th</sup> July without there being an ability to find an alternative time or date.

31<sup>st</sup> January – Medical appointment.

14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – family on holiday.

This was all just very bad luck and I am great supporter of Councillor training and would always attend.

I hope that you can accept my explanation but please feel free to get back in touch should you need any further information

#### **County Councillor Neil Morrison**

I am very sorry I missed all three mandatory development sessions on this topic, all three sessions clashed with my current full time job requirements and commitments which made it impossible to attend. I know this is not a satisfactory excuse, however

going forward I will make every effort to attend the next development session on this topic if you can give me a schedule where I can plan my commitments better.