

## Key Decision Details

**Decision Name** The Future of Members IT

**Date of Decision** 10 April 2014

**Decision maker** Cabinet

**Describe the Decision taken** Agreed to withdraw Council-funded IT equipment for Members, with continued support only being provided in exceptional circumstances; approved the purchase of iPads from Members allowances; agreed to withdraw, where possible, printed agendas and reports for Members; supported the principle that all Members should use non-HDC (but HDC approved) email addresses for Council business; agreed to withdraw HDC funded broadband connections; agreed that, with effect from 1st May 2014, it be compulsory for newly elected Members to participate in the iPad scheme. It was also RECOMMENDED to Council that the Members' IT and telephone support guidelines in the Council's Constitution be varied accordingly to reflect the above.

**What were the reasons for taking the Decision?** As part of a review of the current IT provision for Members.

**What alternative options were considered and rejected?** None

**Conflict of interest and dispensation** None

**Is the decision a Key Decision?** Yes

**Was the decision included in the Forward Plan** No

**Was the decision subject to the urgency proceedings?** No

**List the background papers to any report considered by the Decision Taker**

**Person Making this** Mrs Helen Taylor

**report**

**Date upon which the  
Decision will come into  
force, subject to no  
call-in** 18 April 2014

**Accompanying  
Documents** 2014-04-10 Cabinet Future of  
Members IT