

<b>Subject:</b>	Members Mobile Phone Policy	<b>Status:</b>	For Publication
<b>Report to:</b>	Corporate Scrutiny Committee	<b>Date:</b>	23 September 2013
<b>Report of:</b>	Head of Customer Services & ICT	<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Customers, Legal and Licensing
<b>Key Decision:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Forward Plan <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>General Exception</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Special Urgency</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Equality Impact Assessment:</b>	Required:	No	Attached: No
<b>Biodiversity Impact Assessment</b>	Required:	No	Attached: No
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1.	<b>RECOMMENDATION(S)</b>
1.1	That the Corporate Scrutiny Committee recommend to Cabinet the approval of the Members Mobile Phone Policy.
1.2	That all future minor amendments to the Policy to be delegated to the Director of Customer and Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder.

## 2. PURPOSE OF REPORT

2.1 To agree and implement the revised mobile phone policy for Members.

## 3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

3.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:

- **Responsive Value for Money Services:** This priority is about the Council working collaboratively, being a provider, procurer and a commissioner of services that are efficient and that meet the needs of local people.

## 4. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

4.1 All the issues raised and the recommendation(s) in this report involve risk considerations as set out below:

- Financial risks associated with the replacement or repair of mobile phones. Since December 2012 two Samsung devices have had to be replaced this equates to £600.

## 5. BACKGROUND AND OPTIONS

5.1 The existing mobile phone policy is out of date and needs refreshing in line with current technologies for example Rossendale have moved from Blackberry devices which were controlled and locked down to a smart phone that is completely unlocked.

5.2 Rossendale has changed network provider from Vodafone to O2 in December 2012, the new policy reflects process changes required ie reporting a lost device etc.

5.3 Previously Rossendale only had one mobile phone policy for both officers and Members; this new policy is specifically for Members.

**COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:**

**6. SECTION 151 OFFICER**

6.1 All comments from statutory officers have been included in the policy.

**7. MONITORING OFFICER**

7.1 All comments from statutory officers have been included in the policy.

**8. POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT**

8.1 Policy has been to management team.

**9. CONCLUSION**

9.1 It is recommended that the new member's mobile phone policy is agreed and implemented.

Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection
Members mobile policy	

Or

No background papers (*delete where applicable*)