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## **APPOINTMENT OF THE WLGA EXECUTIVE BOARD 2023-24**

### **Purpose**

1. This report advises Council on the membership of the WLGA Executive Board for 2023-24.

### **Background**

2. The constitutional provisions governing the establishment of the WLGA Executive Board and its' membership are detailed in section 9 of the [WLGA Constitution](#).
3. The WLGA Executive Board includes the leader of each local authority in membership of the WLGA. For 2023-24, the membership is as follows:

| <b>Council</b>    | <b>Member</b>                  | <b>Political Affiliation</b> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Blaenau Gwent     | Councillor Steve Thomas        | Labour                       |
| Bridgend          | Councillor Huw David OBE       | Labour                       |
| Caerphilly        | Councillor Sean Morgan         | Labour                       |
| Cardiff           | Councillor Huw Thomas          | Labour                       |
| Carmarthenshire   | Councillor Darren Price        | Plaid Cymru                  |
| Ceredigion        | Councillor Bryan Davies        | Plaid Cymru                  |
| Conwy             | Councillor Charlie McCoubrey   | Independent                  |
| Denbighshire      | Councillor Jason McLellan      | Labour                       |
| Flintshire        | Councillor Ian Roberts         | Labour                       |
| Gwynedd           | Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn      | Plaid Cymru                  |
| Isle of Anglesey  | Councillor Llinos Medi         | Plaid Cymru                  |
| Merthyr Tydfil    | Councillor Geraint Thomas      | Independent                  |
| Monmouthshire     | Councillor Mary-Ann Brocklesby | Labour                       |
| Neath Port Talbot | Councillor Steve Hunt          | Independent                  |
| Newport           | Councillor Jane Mudd           | Labour                       |
| Pembrokeshire     | Councillor David Simpson       | Independent                  |
| Powys             | Councillor James Gibson-Watt   | Liberal Democrat             |
| Rhondda Cynon Taf | Councillor Andrew Morgan OBE   | Labour                       |
| Swansea           | Councillor Rob Stewart         | Labour                       |
| Torfaen           | Councillor Anthony Hunt        | Labour                       |
| Vale of Glamorgan | Councillor Lis Burnett         | Labour                       |
| Wrexham           | Councillor Mark Prichard       | Independent                  |

4. The Council may appoint further members (from within the membership of the WLGA Council) to ensure that a majority political group has a majority of at least one on the Executive Board.

5. The political balance of the Executive Board is as follows:

|                         | <b>Number of Members</b> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Labour</b>           | <b>12</b>                |
| <b>independent</b>      | <b>5</b>                 |
| <b>Plaid Cymru</b>      | <b>4</b>                 |
| <b>Liberal Democrat</b> | <b>1</b>                 |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>22</b>                |

6. The WLGA seeks to work in consensus wherever possible speaking with one voice and subsuming political considerations in order to achieve a local government view on policy and services.
7. As Associate Members Authorities, the Fire & Rescue Authorities and National Parks Authorities can each collectively nominate a single member to the WLGA Executive Board (one representing Fire & Rescue Authorities and one representing National Park Authorities); such representatives have no voting rights and their participation does not impact on the political balance of the Board. These nominations are to be confirmed.

## **Recommendations**

8. WLGA Council members are invited to:

- 8.1 **Note the membership of the WLGA Executive Board for the Council term 2023-2024.**

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