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Dear Member,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**, to be held in **COMMITTEE ROOM A, POWYS COUNTY HALL, LLANDRINDOD WELLS**, on **THURSDAY 15 January 2015 at 10:00AM**

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Patterson
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

1.	APOLOGIES	DSC1-2015
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To receive apologies for absence

2.	MINUTES	DSC2-2015
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To authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on the following date as a correct record.

[Enclosure DSC2a-2015] (Democratic Services Committee 3 October 2014)

3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	DSC3-2015
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To receive any declarations of interest from Members relating to items to be considered on the agenda.

4.	CURRENT AND NEW CONSTITUTION	DSC4-2015
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4.1 Current and new Constitution

To consider the revised Planning protocol.

[Enclosure DSC4.1a-2015]

4.2 **New model constitution**

To consider Section 3 - Getting information and getting involved and Section 12 - Finance matters and contracts and note the progress of revising the constitution.

[\[Enclosure DSC4.2a-2015 \]](#)

[\[Enclosure DSC4.2b-2015 \]](#)

[\[Enclosure DSC4.2c-2015 \]](#)

5.	AREA (SHIRE) COMMITTEES	DSC5-2015
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To consider a report on the future of Area (Shire) Committees and receive comments from Members.

[\[Enclosure DSC5a-2015 \]](#)

[\[Enclosure DSC5b-2015 \]](#)

6.	PAYMENT TO CO-OPTED MEMBERS	DSC6-2015
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To receive a verbal update from the Head of Democratic Services.

7.	AN EVALUATION OF WELSH LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE AND SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS	DSC7-2015
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To consider the evaluation report.

[\[Enclosure DSC7a-2015 \]](#)

8.	MINUTES OF THE THE MEMBER DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP	DSC8-2015
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To receive minutes of the Working Group held on 8th September, 2014.

[\[Enclosure DSC8a-2015 \]](#)

9.	JOINT CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS STEERING GROUP	DSC9-2015
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To receive notes of the Steering Group held on 18th July and 19th September, 2014.

[\[Enclosure DSC9a-2015 \]](#)

[\[Enclosure DSC9b-2015 \]](#)

10.	CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS	DSC10-2015
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The Solicitor to the Council has determined that category 3 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules applies to the following report. His view on the public interest test was that while he was mindful of the need to ensure the transparency and accountability of public authority for decisions taken by them in relation to the spending of public money, the right of a third party to the privacy of their financial/business affairs outweighed the need for that information to be made public. On that basis he felt that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Members are asked to consider this factor when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.

11.	WEBCASTING	DSC11-2015
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To consider a report regarding the future level of webcasting.

[\[Enclosure DSC11a-2015 \]](#) **(You must be logged in and have sufficient rights in order to view this document.)**