

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO COUNCIL

20TH OCTOBER 2010

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR
OF LAW AND
DEMOCRACY**

Proposed Dispensation for Non-Attendance – Councillor Nesbitt

Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that where a Council Member fails, throughout a period of six consecutive months, to attend any meeting of his/her authority then he/she ceases to be a member of the authority unless the failure was due to some reason approved by the authority before the expiry of that period.

Councillor Nesbitt is currently incapacitated due to illness and has been unable to attend any meeting of the authority for a period in excess of 4 months. It has been requested that Council considers granting her a dispensation.

RECOMMENDED that Council considers granting a dispensation to allow Councillor Nesbitt to remain qualified until such time as she has recovered from illness and is able to attend a meeting of the Council.