

## **BRECKLAND COUNCIL**

### **REPORT OF ROB WALKER, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES to FULL COUNCIL: 24 FEBRUARY 2011**

#### **DELEGATION TO NAMED OFFICERS**

##### **1. Purpose of Report**

This report seeks a formal resolution to update the named officers in respect of certain aspects of financial administration delegated to Officers.

##### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the revised delegated authority as set out below in this report be approved

**Note:** In preparing this report, due regard has been had to equality of opportunity, human rights, prevention of crime and disorder, environmental and risk management considerations as appropriate. Relevant officers have been consulted in relation to any legal, financial or human resources implications and comments received are reflected in the report.

##### **3. Information, Issues and Options**

###### **3.1 Background**

- 3.1.1 Under the provisions of section 223 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Local Authorities (Contracting Out of Tax billing, Collection and Enforcement Functions) Order, 1996, authority is required for officers to attend Magistrates Court hearings on the Council's behalf for the recovery of Council Tax and National Non-Domestic rates.

###### **3.2 Issues**

- 3.2.1 The current list requires amendment due to staff appointments and re-structuring effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011 when St Edmundsbury Council join the partnership.

###### **3.3 Options**

- 3.3.1 Authority is now required for the following officers to attend Magistrates Court hearings for the reasons stated in 3.1.1 above.

Mrs Lesley Walker	Revenues Manager
Mr Steven Oxborough	Revenues Team Manager
Mrs Martyne Wycherley	Revenues Team Manager
Miss Lucy Talbot	Revenues Team Manager
Mrs Julie Wright	Revenues Team Manager
Mrs Julie Reeve	Revenues Team Manager
Mr Peter Seeley	Revenues Team Manager
Miss Charlotte Harris	Revenues Training Officer

###### **3.4 Reasons for Recommendation(s)**

- 3.4.1 As stated in 3.2.1

##### **4. Risk and Financial Implications**

4.1 Risk

There are no direct risk implications

4.2 Financial

There are no direct financial implications

**5. Legal Implications**

5.1 There are no direct legal implications

**6. Other Implications**

None

- a) Equalities:
- b) Section 17, Crime & Disorder Act 1998:
- c) Section 40, Natural Environment & Rural Communities Act 2006:
- d) Human Resources:
- e) Human Rights:
- f) Other: [e.g. Children's Act 2004]

**7. Alignment to Council Priorities**

7.1 Your Council, Your Services

**8. Ward/Community Affected**

8.1 All

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Key Decision Status (Executive Decisions only):