

Urgent Business – Item 11.1 – Leave of Absence Request – President Coales

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Elected Member:	President Coales
Disclosure of Officer’s Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .

An application for a Leave of Absence, in accordance with section 2.25 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, was received via email from President Coales on 21 October 2024. President Coales is seeking a leave of absence for the period 27 October to 1 November 2024, inclusive.

In accordance with section 2.25(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act), Council may, by resolution, grant leave of absence to a member. The decision to grant leave, or refusal to grant the leave and the reasons for that refusal, is to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Should a leave of absence be granted, President Coales will be recorded as an apology for the meetings, workshops and forums missed, including the Policy Concept Forum on 28 October 2024.

Options

The provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995* provide two practical options to Council.

Option 1

That Council GRANT the leave of absence application made by President Coales for the period 27 October to 1 November 2024 inclusive.

Option 2

That Council REFUSES the leave of absence application made by President Coales for the period 27 October to 1 November 2024 inclusive, inclusive for the following reason:

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council GRANT the leave of absence application made by President Coales for the period 27 October to 1 November 2024 inclusive.