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| MEETING | DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE |
| DATE | 17 NOVEMBER 2020 |
| SUBJECT | ADOPTERS ABSENCE |
| PURPOSE | To discuss the consultation on changes to the adoption absence for Local Authority Councillors. |
| RECOMMENDATION | Members of the Committee are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider any response they wish to submit as a response to the consultation on changes to adoption absence for local authority Councillors. |
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1. Welsh Government opened a consultation on the changes to adoption absence for Councillors on 3rd of November, 2020. The consultation period is for 8 weeks only, with responses to be made by 29th December, 2020.
2. The consultation is in regard to changes to adoption absence from 2 weeks to 26 weeks for Councillors. Please find a link to the full consultation below.

<https://gov.wales/adoption-absence-local-authority-councillors>

3. All members have received a copy of the consultation via email in order to reply directly should they wish to do so.
4. Members of the Democratic Services Committee are asked to consider any responses they wish to submit as a response to the consultation on changes to adoption absence for local authority councillors.