

## CABINET

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| <b>Date of Meeting</b> | Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2017                   |
| <b>Report Subject</b>  | Theatr Clwyd – Complimentary Ticket Policy               |
| <b>Cabinet Member</b>  | Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance     |
| <b>Report Author</b>   | Chief Executive<br>Chief Officer (Organisational Change) |
| <b>Type of Report</b>  | Operational  |

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A notice of motion was brought to Full Council on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016 stating that:

‘This Council accepts that Theatr Clwyd operates an industry-standard complimentary ticket policy to develop audiences and encourage sponsor and media patronage. The policy should not extend to giving complimentary tickets and drinks to Theatr Board Members, Councillors, Senior Officers and other officials who should be expected to meet the costs of their tickets and drinks at the Theatr. The Theatr Clwyd Board should remove these privileges from its policy.’

Cabinet in October agreed to ask the Theatre Board to consider this notice of motion and to provide a final response to the Council on this matter and how it will address this issue. The Board did this in November and agreed to implement the notice of motion from the next season beginning in January 2017.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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| 1 | That the Cabinet welcome the response from the Theatre Board. |
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## REPORT DETAILS

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| <b>1.00</b> | <b>EXPLAINING THE BACKGROUND</b>   |
| 1.01        | The notice of motion about complimentary tickets was received at the June Council meeting and was supported by full Council.   |
| 1.02        | Theatr Clwyd is owned by the Council. The Theatre Board is given delegated authority by the Council to manage the operation of the Theatre. To enable this an annual business plan is agreed with the Council and as part of the budget process clear priorities have been agreed to ensure the future financial and strategic direction of the theatre. |

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| <b>2.00</b> | <b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>   |
| 2.01        | Minimal resource implications. |

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| <b>3.00</b> | <b>CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT</b>                          |
| 3.01        | The notice of motion has been considered and agreed by Full Council. |

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| <b>4.00</b> | <b>RISK MANAGEMENT</b>  |
| 4.01        | 1. That in practice the changes are not fully implemented – that the Council ask for an update on progress after 6 months of operation. |

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| <b>5.00</b> | <b>APPENDICES</b> |
| 5.01        | None              |

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| <b>6.00</b> | <b>LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS</b>  |
| 6.01        | October Cabinet Report<br><br><b>Contact Officer:</b> Ian Bancroft<br><b>Telephone:</b> 01352 704180<br><b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:ian.bancroft@flintshire.gov.uk">ian.bancroft@flintshire.gov.uk</a> |

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| <b>7.00</b> | <b>GLOSSARY OF TERMS</b>  |
| 7.01        | <b>Complimentary Tickets</b> – Tickets that are provided at a reduced rate or free of charge to specific individuals and groups for a reason that will benefit the overall operation and business of the Theatre. |