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RHONDDA CYNON TAF
COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

COMMITTEE SUMMONS

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Clydach Vale CF40 2XX

Meeting Contact: Marc Jones - Democratic Services Officer (07385 401845)

YOU ARE SUMMONED to a virtual meeting of **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** to be held on **WEDNESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 2022** at **10.00 AM**.

Non Committee Members and Members of the public may request the facility to address the Committee at their meetings on the business listed although facilitation of this request is at the discretion of the Chair. It is kindly asked that such notification is made to Democratic Services by Wednesday, 9 March 2022 on the contact details listed above, including stipulating whether the address will be in Welsh or English.

AGENDA

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1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of personal interest from Members in accordance with the Code of Conduct

Note:

1. Members are requested to identify the item number and subject matter that their interest relates to and signify the nature of the personal interest: and
2. Where Members withdraw from a meeting as a consequence of the disclosure of a prejudicial interest they must notify the Chairman when they leave.

2. MINUTES

To approve as an accurate record, the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2021.

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

3. PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES - CODE OF CONDUCT CASEBOOK

To consider the Code of Conduct Casebooks for the months January – March 2021 (Issue 25).

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4. PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES - SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS - 01.11.2021 - 28.02.2022

To receive a summary of Complaints against Members from the 1st November 2021 – 28th February 2022.

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5. ADJUDICATION PANEL FOR WALES - RECENT TRIBUNAL DECISIONS

To allow Members the opportunity to consider recent decisions made by the Adjudication Panel for Wales (APW).

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6. FEEDBACK FROM THE 2022 ALL WALES STANDARDS CONFERENCE

To afford Committee members the opportunity to provide feedback and discuss the recent All Wales Standards Conference, which was held virtually on 9th February 2022, with particular reference to Welsh Government's commissioned independent review of the Ethical Standards Framework in Wales.

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7. NATIONAL FORUM FOR STANDARDS COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS

To seek Members' views on this proposal.

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8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 - STANDARDS OF CONDUCT STATUTORY GUIDANCE

To inform the Committee of changes to the statutory ethical framework, which are being introduced by Part 4 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and seek agreement of the actions to be taken in response.

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9. URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items, which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, is of the opinion should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication

Circulation:-

Independent Members – M.Jehu, MBE (Chair), D. Bowen and J.Thomas

County Borough Councillors: M. Forey & E. Webster

Community Councillor R.Butler

(Reserve Community Councillor Member: C. Willis)

Officers:

Mr A Wilkins, Monitoring Officer

Mr C. Hanagan, Service Director of Democratic Services and Communication