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COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

COMMITTEE SUMMONS

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YOU ARE SUMMONED to a **virtual** meeting of the **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** to be held on **MONDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 2024** 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 Thursday, 25 January 2024 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 the 13th November 2023.

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

3. PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES - SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST MEMBERS - 30TH AUGUST 2023 - 22ND JANUARY 2024

To provide Members with a summary of complaints made against Members and submitted to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (the 'Ombudsman') for the period 30th August 2023 – 22nd January 2024.

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4. PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES - RECENT INVESTIGATION OUTCOMES - 'OUR FINDINGS'

To consider the summary of investigation outcomes concerning alleged breaches of the Members' Code of Conduct as published by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (PSOW) on the '[our findings](#)' section of her website for the period 1st August 2023 – 22nd January 2024.

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5. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S MEMBER - OFFICER RELATIONS PROTOCOL

To review the Council's Member-Officer Relations Protocol, as annexed at Appendix 1 to this report and consider whether any amendments should be made to that protocol.

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6. SUMMARY OF RESPONSES TO THE CONSULTATION ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS FRAMEWORK (RICHARD PENN REPORT)

For Information.

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7. 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.

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