



## STANDARDS COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

**Forward plan of proposed Committee Business for the 2020 - 2021 Municipal Year**

**Specific Period: - September 2020 – April 2021**

***N.B – The work programme is subject to change to take account of any additional / deletion of reports, including any new consultative documents or legislative initiatives from the Welsh Government, which require urgent attention, Public Services Ombudsman For Wales referrals and hearings under the Council’s Local Resolution Protocol – Standards of Conduct to be followed by Members***

Key Decision	Brief Outline	Responsible Officer	Open / Exempt Report	Consultation undertaken prior to Decision being made?
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## NOVEMBER 2020

27.11.20

Draft Standards Committee Work Programme	To consider a draft Work Programme for the Committee for the Municipal Year 2020 - 2021	Monitoring Officer	Open	Chair of the Committee
Public Services Ombudsman For Wales – Annual Report and Letter 2019 - 2020	To provide Members with a summary of Code of Conduct matters as set out in the Ombudsman’s Annual Report and Letter to this Council 2019 – 2020	Monitoring Officer	Open	Cabinet / Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Public Services Ombudsman For Wales – Summary of Complaints 2019-2020	Summary of Complaints against Members from the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2019 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Public Services Ombudsman For Wales – Code of Conduct Casebooks	To consider the Code of Conduct Casebooks for the months October – December 2019 (Issue 23)	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Code of Conduct Refresher Training	To receive an oral update on proposed arrangements for Code of Conduct refresher training for County Borough and Town/Community Councillors	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Adjudication Panel Decisions	To provide an information report in respect of recent Adjudication Panel Decisions	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Dispensation Applications	To consider three applications for dispensations made in accordance with The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Adjudication Panel For Wales Presidential Guidance	To consider the recently published APW Presidential Guidance on the conduct of Tribunals	Monitoring Officer	Open	None

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## MARCH 2020

19.03.21

Local Resolution Process For Town and Community Councils – One Voice Wales	To provide Members with information and seek the Committees endorsement in respect of One Voice Wales’ Local Resolution Procedure for Town/ Com Councils	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
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Standards Committee Annual Report 2020 - 2021	To consider a draft Standards Committee annual report for the Municipal Year 2020 -2021	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Adjudication Panel For Wales Annual Report 2019-2020	To consider the Adjudication Panel For Wales' Annual Report 2019-2020 following publication	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Code of Conduct Refresher Training	To receive an update on the roll out of Code of Conduct refresher training	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Update on Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill	To receive an update in respect of aspects of the bill relating to the terms of reference of the Standards Committee and associated ethics issues	Monitoring Officer	Open	None
Review of the Procedures for dealing with complaints referred to the Committee by the PSOW	To Review the procedures and determine whether any amendments are required to be made and ensure they remain fit for purpose	Monitoring Officer	Open	Review other LA policies to identify areas of best practise

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## MISCELLANEOUS

(the following items to be considered as and when appropriate / necessary during the Municipal Year)

Public Services Ombudsman For Wales – Code of Conduct Casebook	To provide information in respect of the quarterly publication of the Code of Conduct Casebook by the Public Services Ombudsman For Wales	Monitoring Officer	Open	
Dispensation Applications	To consider applications for dispensations made in accordance with The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001	Monitoring Officer	Open	
Local Resolution Protocol – Standards of Conduct To Be Followed By Members	To consider complaints made under Stage 2 of the Local Resolution Protocol	Monitoring Officer	Open	
Public Services Ombudsman For Wales – Members Code of Conduct Complaints	To consider any allegations that a Member has failed or may have failed to comply with the Members Code of Conduct contained in a report of the Public Services Ombudsman For Wales undertaken under Section 69 of the Local Government Act 2000	Monitoring Officer	Open	
Review of Standards Committee Member's Training Needs	To consider any requirements in respect of Committee Members' training needs	Monitoring Officer	Open	