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Councillors: Patrick Heesom, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley

**Co-opted Members:**

Jonathan Duggan-Keen, Phillipa Earlam, Julia Hughes, Kenneth Molyneux and Mark Morgan

27 October 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

**NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING**  
**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**MONDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER, 2020 at 6.30 PM**

**\* Please note that a training session for the Standards Committee members and Town/Community Council representatives will be held from 6pm until 6.30pm**

Yours faithfully

Robert Robins  
Democratic Services Manager

Please note: Due to the current restrictions on travel and the requirement for physical distancing, this meeting will not be held at its usual location. This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members. The meeting will be recorded.

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact a member of the Democratic Services Team on 01352 702345.

## A G E N D A

### 1 **APOLOGIES**

**Purpose:** To receive any apologies.

### 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)**

**Purpose:** To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

### 3 **MINUTES** (Pages 3 - 8)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 21 September 2020.

### 4 **DISPENSATIONS**

**Purpose:** To receive any requests for dispensations.

Members of the press/public will be able to remain at the meeting whilst an application for dispensation is presented to the Committee and will be able to return to hear the Committee's decision. However, under Paragraph 18C Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972 the Committee will exclude the press and public from the meeting whilst it deliberates on any application for a dispensation.

### 5 **ITEMS RAISED BY TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS**

**Purpose:** To discuss any ethical issues or the work of the Standards Committee raised by Town and Community Councils.

### 6 **DIRECTIONS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ADJUDICATION PANEL FOR WALES** (Pages 9 - 26)

**Purpose:** To consider the directions received from the President of the APW on the role of the Monitoring Officer at APW proceedings, disclosure and anonymising evidence.

### 7 **OVERVIEW OF ETHICAL COMPLAINTS** (Pages 27 - 34)

**Purpose:** That the Committee notes the number and type of complaints.

### 8 **PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES (PSOW) CASEBOOK ISSUE 23 (OCTOBER 2019 – DECEMBER 2019) AND THE ANNUAL LETTER FROM THE PSOW** (Pages 35 - 48)

**Purpose:** To inform the Committee of the latest publications of the Public Services Ombudsman's Code of Conduct Casebook and to share Ombudsman's Annual Letter 2019/20.

### 9 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 49 - 50)

**Purpose:** For the Committee to consider topics to be included on the attached Forward Work Programme.