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To: Robert Dewey (Chairman)

Councillors: Patrick Heesom, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley

Co-opted Members:

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

23 February 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING STANDARDS COMMITTEE MONDAY, 1ST MARCH, 2021 at 6.30 PM

Please note that a training session for the Standards Committee members will be held from 6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

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.

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

2 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)</u>

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 **MINUTES** (Pages 5 - 8)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held

on 11th January 2021.

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 PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES (PSOW) CONSULTATION ON REVISED GUIDANCE ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT (Pages 9 - 12)

Purpose: To approve a response on the PSOW consultation in respect

of revised guidance on the Code of Conduct.

6 **REVIEW OF PROTOCOL FOR MEETING CONTRACTORS** (Pages 13 - 22)

Purpose: To undertake a rolling review of the Protocol to ensure it is still

up to date and pertinent.

7 REPORTS FROM INDEPENDENT MEMBER VISITS TO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Purpose: To receive verbal reports from Independent Members of the Committee on their visits to the following meetings:

- 19.01.21 Cabinet (Julia Hughes)
- 20.01.21 Community, Housing and Assets Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Rob Dewey)
- 21.01.21 Social and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Phillipa Earlam)
- 26.01.21 Flintshire County Council (Julia Hughes)
- 09.02.21 Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Rob Dewey)
- 11.02.21 Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Mark Morgan)

8 **OVERVIEW OF ETHICAL COMPLAINTS** (Pages 23 - 28)

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

9 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 29 - 32)

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