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**Co-opted Members:**

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4 January 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

**NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING**  
**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**MONDAY, 10TH JANUARY, 2022 at 6.30 PM**

**Please note that a training session on the Code of Conduct will be held prior to the start of the meeting from 6.00pm to 6.30pm.**

Yours faithfully

Gareth Owens  
Chief Officer (Governance)

Please note: This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members and those Members of Council who have asked the Head of Democratic Services for an invitation. Such attendees may only speak at the Chair's discretion.

The meeting will be live streamed onto the Council's website. A recording of the meeting will also be available, shortly after the meeting at <https://flintshire-public-i.tv/core/portal/home>

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**

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

### **3 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 1 November 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.

### **ITEMS FOR DECISION**

### **5 AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ETHICAL LIAISON MEETING (Pages 13 - 30)**

**Purpose:** To ask Members for suggested topics of discussion at the next meeting between the Chair/Vice Chair of the Committee and Senior Councillors.

### **6 NATIONAL FORUM FOR STANDARDS COMMITTEE CHAIRS (Pages 31 - 34)**

**Purpose:** To consider whether there should be a national forum for Standards Committee Chairs of a type similar to the North and Mid Wales Forum for Independent Members

### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **7 ALL WALES STANDARDS CONFERENCE 2022**

**Purpose:** To inform Members about the arrangements for the All Wales Standards Conference 2022 that will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February starting at 10.00 a.m.

8 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 35 - 36)

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

***Please note that there may be a 10 minute adjournment of this meeting if it lasts longer than two hours***

## **Procedural Note on the conduct of meetings**

The Chair will open the meeting and introduce themselves.

The meeting will be attended by a number of Councillors. Officers will also be in attendance to present reports, with Democratic Services officers acting as hosts of the meeting.

All attendees are asked to ensure their mobile phones are switched off and that any background noise is kept to a minimum.

All microphones are to be kept muted during the meeting and should only be unmuted when invited to speak by the Chair. When invitees have finished speaking they should go back on mute.

To indicate to speak, Councillors will use the chat facility or use the electronic raise hand function. The chat function may also be used for questions, relevant comments and officer advice and updates.

The Chair will call the speakers, with elected Members addressed as 'Councillor' and officers addressed by their job title e.g. Chief Executive' or name. From time to time, the officer advising the Chair will explain procedural points or suggest alternative wording for proposals, to assist the Committee.

If and when a vote is taken, the Chair will explain that only those who oppose the proposal(s), or who wish to abstain will need to indicate, using the chat function. The officer advising the Chair will indicate whether the proposals are carried.

If a more formal vote is needed, this will be by roll call – where each Councillor will be asked in turn (alphabetically) how s/he wishes to vote

At County Council and Planning Committee meetings speaker's times are limited. A bell will be sounded to alert that the speaker has one minute remaining

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