



To: Members of Standards Committee    Date: 22 November 2012  
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Dear Member of the Committee,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** to be held at **10.00 am** on **FRIDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2012** in **CONFERENCE ROOM 1A, COUNTY HALL, RUTHIN.**

Yours sincerely

G. Williams  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

## **AGENDA**

### **PART 1: THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS PART OF THE MEETING**

- 1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
To appoint a Chair of the Standards Committee.
- 2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
To appoint a Vice Chair of the Standards Committee.
- 3 APOLOGIES**
- 4 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.

**5 URGENT MATTERS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIR**

Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972.

**6 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Pages 5 - 8)**

To receive the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 14 September 2012 (copy enclosed).

**7 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS**

To note the attendance by members of the Standards Committee at County, Town and Community Council and to receive their reports.

**8 PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES REVISED GUIDANCE ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTED MEMBERS (Pages 9 - 10)**

To consider a report by the Monitoring Officer (copy enclosed) advising members of the publication by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales of revised guidance for elected members in respect of the Code of Conduct.

**9 NORTH WALES STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

To consider a verbal report by the Monitoring Officer detailing the issues discussed at the last meeting of the North Wales Standards Committee held on 4 October 2012.

**10 STANDARDS CONFERENCE 2013**

To receive a verbal report by the Monitoring Officer and to consider topics to be discussed at the Standards Conference 2013.

**11 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADJUDICATION PANEL FOR WALES 2011/2012 (Pages 11 - 16)**

To consider a report by the Monitoring Officer (copy enclosed) advising members of the issue of the Annual Report of the Adjudication Panel for Wales 2011/12.

**12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Standards Committee is scheduled for 10.00 a.m. on Friday 11 January 2013 in the Conference Room, Ty Nant, Nant Hall Road, Prestatyn.

**PART 2: CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

It is recommended in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item(s) of business because it is likely that exempt information as defined in paragraphs 12 and 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act would be disclosed.

**13 CODE OF CONDUCT - PART 3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000** (Pages 17 - 18)

To consider a confidential report by the Monitoring Officer (copy enclosed) providing an overview of complaints against members lodged with the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Independent Members:

Mr. Wayne Roberts, Mr Ian Trigger, Ms Margaret Medley and Mrs Paula White

Town/Community Council Member

Councillor David E Jones

County Councillors

Councillor Bill Cowie

Councillor Colin Hughes

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