

Report to	Standards Committee
Date of meeting	13 th December 2024
Lead Member / Officer	Julie Matthews Lead Member for Corporate Strategy, Policy and Equalities
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Title	Local Authority Local Resolution Procedure

1. What is the report about?

- 1.1. The report relates to areas of good practice which the Public Services Ombudsman Wales has highlighted following a recent review of local authorities' Local Resolution Procedures

2. What is the reason for making this report?

- 2.1. To highlight areas of good practice identified following a review of local authorities Local Resolution Procedures by the Public Services Ombudsman Wales.

3. What are the Recommendations?

- 3.1. That the Committee acknowledges the areas of good practice highlighted by the Public Services Ombudsman Wales.
- 3.2. That the Committee supports a review of Denbighshire's Local Resolution Procedure to ensure that it reflects the other good practice identified by the Public Services Ombudsman Wales.

4. Report details

4.1. The Public Services Ombudsman for Wales has recently undertaken a review of Local Resolution Procedures to identify areas of good practice to assist local authorities in developing their procedures.

4.2. Denbighshire has been highlighted as having areas of good practice which are recommended to other authorities. These are:

- Standards of conduct/behaviour expected from members
- Appropriate determinations that can be made under an LRP

4.3. Other areas of good practice highlighted are:

- Issues that are suitable for consideration under an LRP and those that are not: Caerphilly, Swansea
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- Inclusion of section on role of Group Leaders. Ceredigion, Swansea & Gwynedd

4.4. A copy of Denbighshire's Local Resolution Procedure is attached for information. A review of this document will now be undertaken to ensure that it reflects areas of good practice identified elsewhere.

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Plan 2022 to 2027: The Denbighshire We Want?

5.1. This will contribute to the Council priority for Well Run High Performing Council.

6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

6.1. There is no cost associated with this report.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Well-being Impact Assessment?

7.1. A well-being impact assessment has not been completed as it is not relevant.

8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

8.1. No consultation has been undertaken.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

9.1. A Chief Finance Officer statement is not required.

10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

10.1. There are no risk associated with this report.