

Agenda item no:

REPORT TO: Standards Committee

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SUBJECT: Training for Chairs and Vice Chairs of Town and Community Councils

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Members with an information report with details of proposed training for Chairs and Vice Chairs.

2. BACKGROUND

Standards Committee members have emphasised the benefits of training Chairs and Vice Chairs, as part of the overall approach to raising the ethical standards amongst elected members. Good Chairing skills will also contribute to effective and lawful decision making which clearly benefits local democracy.

This report provides members with details of the training that is to be delivered by an external trainer who has been recommended to this Council by the Welsh Local Government Association. Details of the agenda attached as Appendix 1.

The proposed training is to take place on the 16th May 2013, and all Clerks to the Town and Community Councils have been written to in order to confirm attendances. Due to the cost that will be incurred by the County Council there will be a charge levied to cover these costs of £30 per head. It is anticipated that demand will be quite high and the intention will be to limit the places to two per Council, namely the current or prospective Chairs and Vice Chairs.

3 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That Members note the contents of this report.

3.2 That the Chair and Vice Chair be invited to attend the training.

