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RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD	NOTIO	CE OF MEETING
PANEL DETHOL Y PWYLLGOR SAFONAU		STANDARDS COMMITTEE SELECTION PANEL
DYDD LLUN, 27 TACHWEDD, 2017 am 3.00 o'r gloch yp		ONDAY, 27 NOVEMBER, 2017 at 3.00 pm
YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR 1, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR, LLANGEFNI		COMMITTEE ROOM 1, COUNCIL OFFICES, LLANGEFNI
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#### Yn cynrychioli'r Cyngor Sir/Representing the County Council

Y Cynghorwyr/Councillors

Gwilym O Jones, Robert LI Jones, R Meirion Jones

## Yn cynrychioli'r Cynghorau Tref/Cymuned/Representing the Town/Community Councils

Mr Gordon Warren

Aelodau Annibynnol/Independent Members

Dr Haydn Edwards

#### AGENDA

#### 1 TO ELECT A CHAIRPERSON

#### 2 <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

To receive any declaration of interest from a Member or Officer in respect of any item of business.

#### **MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 2)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17 November, 2017.

#### 4 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC (Pages 3 - 4)

To consider adoption of the following :-

"Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during discussion on the following item on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test."

#### 5 <u>TO INTERVIEW THE SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR THE ROLE OF</u> INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE (Pages 5 - 46)

- To submit a report by the Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer.
- To interview the shortlisted candidates for the role of Independent Member of the Standards Committee.

#### STANDARDS COMMITTEE

#### Minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2017

PRESENT: Representing the County Council

Councillor Robert LI Jones

**Representing Town and Community Councils** 

Mr Gordon Warren

**Independent Member** 

Dr Haydn Edwards

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer,

Committee Officer (MEH)

ALSO PRESENT: None

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors G O Jones, R Meirion Jones

#### 1 TO ELECT A CHAIRPERSON

Dr Haydn Edwards was elected Chair for this meeting only.

#### 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor G O Jones had declared a prejudicial interest as regard to Item 5 and was not present at the meeting. Dr H Edwards also declared a personal interest in Item 5.

#### 3 MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 September, 2017 were confirmed.

#### 4 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED to adopt the following:-

"Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during discussion on the following item on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test."

### 5 TO SHORTLIST CANDIDATES FOR THE ROLE OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND TO DECIDE ON THE INTERVIEW PROCESS

The Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer explained the statutory selection process for the appointment to the vacant seat on the Standards Committee.

The Panel discussed in detail the applications received in accordance with the shortlisting process and criteria outlined within the report to the Panel.

It was RESOLVED that the shortlisted applicants be put forward to the interview process to be held on  $27^{\rm th}$  November, 2017 at 3.00 p.m.

**DR HAYDN EDWARDS** CHAIR

# PRAWF BUDD Y CYHOEDD PUBLIC INTEREST TEST

Penodi Aelod Annibynnol i Swydd Wag Achlysurol /
Appointment of an Independent Member to a Casual Vacancy

Paragraff 12 Atodlen 12A Deddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972 Paragraph 12 Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972

Y PRAWF – THE TEST

Mae yna fudd i'r cyhoedd wrth ddatgelu oherwydd / There is a public interest in disclosure as:-

Y budd i'r cyhoedd with beidio datgelu yw / The public interest in not disclosing is:-

- Mae angen tryloywder wrth benodi aelod cyfetholedig i'r Pwyllgor Safonau oherwydd y rôl arwyddocaol sydd gan y Pwyllgor mewn perthynas â llywodraethiant ac ymddygiad cynghorwyr sir etholedig a chynghorwyr y cynghorau tref a chymuned.
- There is a requirement for transparency in the appointment of a co-opted member to the Standards Committee, given the significant role played by the Committee in relation to governance and conduct of elected county councillors and town and community councillors.
- Mae disgwyliad rhesymol aan ymgeiswyr y bydd eu ffurflenni cais a'u hasesiadau'n cael eu trin yn gyfrinachol ac bydd eu cyfweliadau'n cael eu cynnal breifat. Mae'n bosib v gellid cymryd camau am beidio â chwrdd â'r fath ddisgwyliad rhesymol barchu i cyfrinachedd.
- Mae'n rhesymol disgwyl y gallai cyhoeddi ffurflenni cais a chynnal proses ddethol sy'n hollol gyhoeddus, olygu y byddai llai o ymgeiswyr, os o gwbl, yn ymgeisio am swyddi yn y dyfodol.
- Mae'r Panel wedi cael ei benodi i ymgymryd â rôl sicrwydd ar ran y Cyngor a'r cyhoedd ac, ar ôl dilyn y broses briodol, bydd yn gwneud ei argymhelliad i'r Cyngor llawn a fydd yn cymeradwyo'r penodiad terfynol.
- Bydd manylion am y penodiad terfynol yn cael eu cyhoeddi.
- Mae llawer o'r broses eisoes yn y parth cyhoeddus ac mae'n debyg y byddai gwybodaeth fanylach am y broses yn cael ei chyhoeddi petai cais dan Ddeddf Rhyddid Gwybodaeth 2000 yn dod i law.

- There is a reasonable expectation of confidentiality by the applicants that their application forms, assessments and interviews will be conducted in private. A breach of such a reasonable expectation of confidence is potentially actionable.
- Publication of applications, and a wholly public selection process, might reasonably be expected to result in fewer, or no, candidates applying for future vacancies.
- The Panel has been appointed to undertake the assurance role on behalf of the Council and the public and, following due process, will make its recommendation to full Council which will ratify the final appointment.
- The final appointment will be made public.
- Much of the process is already in the public domain and more detailed information about the process would likely be published in the event of a Freedom of Information Act 2000 request.

**Argymhelliad** - Mae budd y cyhoedd wrth gadw'r eithriad o bwys mwy na'r budd y cyhoedd wrth ddatgelu'r wybodaeth.

**Recommendation** - The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

## Agenda Item 5

By virtue of paragraph(s) 12 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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