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RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD	NOTICE OF MEETING
PANEL DETHOL Y PWYLLGOR SAFONAU	STANDARDS COMMITTEE SELECTION PANEL
DYDD GWENER, 17 TACHWEDD, 2017 am 2.00 o'r gloch	FRIDAY, 17 NOVEMBER, 2017 at 2.00 pm
YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR 1, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR, LLANGFNI	COMMITTEE ROOM 1, COUNCIL OFFICES, LLANGFNI
Swyddog Pwyllgor	Committee Officer

Yn cynrychioli'r Cyngor Sir/Representing the County Council

Y Cyngorydd/Councillor Gwilym O Jones
Y Cyngorydd/Councillor Robert Llewelyn Jones
Y Cyngorydd/Councillor R Meirion Jones

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

Mr Gordon Warren

Aelodau Annibynnol/Independent Members

Dr Haydn Edwards

A G E N D A

1 **TO ELECT A CHAIRPERSON**

2 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

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

3 **MINUTES OF MEETING** (Pages 1 - 2)

To submit for confirmation, the draft minutes of the Panel which took place on 20th September, 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 **TO SHORTLIST CANDIDATES FOR THE ROLE OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND TO DECIDE ON THE INTERVIEW PROCESS** (Pages 5 - 70)

To submit a report by the Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE SELECTION PANEL

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2017

- PRESENT:**
- Representing the County Council**
- Councillors G.O. Jones, Robert Ll. Jones.
- Representing the Town/Community Councils**
- Mr. Gordon Warren.
- Independent Members**
- Dr. Hayden Edwards.
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer,
Committee Officer (MEH)
- ALSO PRESENT:** None
- APOLOGIES:** Councillor R. Meirion Jones.

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None received.

2 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Submitted – a report by the Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer in relation to the above.

The Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer explained the statutory selection process for the appointment to the vacant seat on the Standards Committee. A draft advertisement accompanied the report at Enclosure 1 to the report and a pack with information on the Code of Conduct, Schedule of Allowances and application form was presented at Enclosure 2 to the report.

The Panel made the following amendments to the wording of the advertisement :-

- the appointment of an Independent Member to be for a minimum of 4 years and up to 8 years;
- that an email address and contact name be included in the documentation pack;
- the inclusion of the name of the Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer be included in the English version at page 6 of the documentation.

The Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer gave details of the cost of advertising the vacancy in local newspapers. The Panel decided to avoid additional expenditure, that a short advertisement of the vacancy be placed in the local newspapers with a link to the Council's website for the full version.

It was RESOLVED :-

- **To approve the advertisement for the vacancy of an Independent Member of the Standards Committee, subject to the amendments as noted above;**

- **That the advertisement be placed on the Council's website, Facebook page and Twitter, together with a short advert only (in the first instance) in the two local newspapers;**
- **To approve the application and advices at Enclosure 2;**
- **That the date of the next meeting to draw a shortlist of applicants for interview be held on the 17th November, 2017 at 2.00 p.m., in Committee Room 1.**

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

<p>Mae yna fudd i'r cyhoedd wrth ddatgelu oherwydd / There is a public interest in disclosure as:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Y budd i'r cyhoedd with beidio datgelu yw / The public interest in not disclosing is:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mae disgwyliad rhesymol gan ymgeiswyr y bydd eu ffurflenni cais a'u hasesiadau'n cael eu trin yn gyfrinachol ac y bydd eu cyfweiliadau'n cael eu cynnal yn breifat. Mae'n bosib y gellid cymryd camau am beidio â chwrrd â'r fath ddisgwyliad rhesymol i barchu 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.
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- 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.

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