STANDARDS COMMITTEE SELECTION PANEL

Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2023

PRESENT: Representing the County Council

Councillor Dylan Rees (Chair) Councillor Margaret M Roberts

Representing the Town/Community Councils

Mr Gordon Warren

Independent Members

Dr Teleri M Jones

IN ATTENDANCE: Solicitor (Corporate Governance) (MY),

Committee Officer (MEH)

APOLOGIES: None

The Chair welcomed all those present to the meeting of the Selection Panel of the Standards Committee.

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Dylan Rees declared a personal interest in Item 4 on the agenda. He reported that he knew one of the applicants, having sat with him as a member of the Community Health Council.

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 September, 2023 were confirmed as correct.

3 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."

4 TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS FOR THE ROLE OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Submitted – a report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer on the interview process for shortlisted candidates to be appointed to the vacant seat of an independent member on the Standards Committee.

The Chair welcomed the candidate who was unable to attend the previous meeting due to personal reasons. The Chair introduced the Panel Members and gave the candidate an overview of the role of an independent member on the Standards Committee and explained the appointment process.

The candidate was considered against the criteria outlined in the report and the interview was conducted by the Panel.

The candidates at the previous meeting and the candidate at this meeting were considered against the criteria and it was **RESOLVED:-**

- That the Panel selected one candidate to be nominated by the Panel for appointment to the Standards Committee;
- To request references for the successful candidate;
- That the Chair of the Panel present a report to the full Council, at the first reasonable opportunity, nominating the successful candidate (conditional upon satisfactory references);
- That the Chair of the Panel recommends to the full Council, that the second shortlisted candidate ('first reserve') and third shortlisted candidate ('second reserve') be automatically appointed to any further casual vacancy for an independent member of the Standards Committee if such should arise in the next twelve months (conditional upon satisfactory references and the agreement of the candidates).

COUNCILLOR DYLAN REES
CHAIR