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RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD		NOTICE OF MEETING	
PWYLLGOR SAFONAU		STANDARDS COMMITTEE	
DYDD IAU, 6 CHWEFROR 2025 am 10:00 o'r gloch yb		THURSDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2025 at 10.00 am	
YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR AC YN RHITHIOL DRWY ZOOM		COMMITTEE ROOM, COUNCIL OFFICES AND VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM	
Swyddog Pwyllgor	Mrs Shirley Cooke 01248 752518		Committee Officer

# Aelodau Annibynnol / Independent Members

Mr Thomas Rhys Davies Mr Brace Griffiths Mr John Robert Jones Mrs Gill Murgatroyd Mr Trefor Owen

#### Yn cynrychioli'r Cyngor Sir / Representing the County Council

Y Cynghorydd/Councillor Margaret M Roberts Y Cynghorydd/Councillor Dafydd Rhys Thomas

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

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## AGENDA

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

To receive any declaration of interest from a Member or Officer regarding any item of business

# 2 <u>ELECT A VICE-CHAIR</u> (Pages 1 - 6)

To elect a Vice-Chair for the Isle of Anglesey County Council's Standards Committee.

## 3 MINUTES OF MEETINGS (Pages 7 - 18)

To confirm the draft minutes of the previous meetings of the Standards Committee held on 18 June 2024 and the extraordinary meeting held on 16 September 2024.

## 4 <u>DEMOCRATIC SERVICES UPDATE</u> (Pages 19 - 22)

A report by the Head of Democratic Services.

# 5 <u>MEMBER DEVELOPMENT</u> (Pages 23 - 34)

A report by the Human Resources Development Manager.

# 6 <u>CONDUCT COMPLAINTS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR</u> WALES (Pages 35 - 42)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer in relation to: -

- (a) County Councillors, and
- (b) Town/Community Councillors

for Quarters 1, 2 and 3 of 2024/2025

# 7 <u>DECISIONS BY THE PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES</u> (Pages 43 - 58)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer on the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Investigation Outcomes published since the last Standards Committee meeting.

# 8 <u>DECISIONS BY THE ADJUDICATION PANEL FOR WALES</u> (Pages 59 - 66)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer on the APW's decisions in Wales since the last Standards Committee meeting.

#### 9 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS

It is usual practice for a report to be prepared to the Standards Committee by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer on the applications for dispensations considered by the Standards Committee. During the period between the Standards Committee on 18 June 2024 and the day of publishing this agenda, no applications have been received. On this basis, no report is attached.

# 10 <u>UPDATE FROM THE NATIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE FORUM</u> (Pages 67 - 68)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer on the National Forum for Independent Members of Standards Committees in Wales.

# 11 REVIEW BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE OF THE REGISTERS OF INTERESTS OF ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL (Pages 69 - 84)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer with details of the progress made in relation to the findings from the reviews of registers of interests for a sample of elected members.

# 12 <u>PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES (PSOW) INDEPENDENT</u> <u>REVIEW REPORT</u> (Pages 85 - 88)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer presenting the report published following an independent review of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales's Code of Conduct Cases.

# 13 PSOW CONSULTATION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 2 OF THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW (Pages 89 - 100)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer presenting the consultation paper published in relation to a recommendation made in the report following the independent review of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales's Code of Conduct Cases.

# 14 <u>LOCAL RESOLUTION PROTOCOLS ADOPTED BY AUTHORITIES IN WALES</u> (Pages 101 - 110)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer with details of the work done by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales in relation to the different Local Resolution Protocols adopted by authorities in Wales.

#### 15 STANDARDS COMMITTEE HEARINGS PROCESS (Pages 111 - 132)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer enclosing an amended Standards Committee Hearings Process.

## 16 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC** (Pages 133 - 134)

To consider adopting the following: -

"Under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the 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."

# 17 <u>CONDUCT ISSUES</u> (Pages 135 - 158)

A report by the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer sharing details of the Decision Notices received from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.