

<b>Isle of Anglesey County Council</b>	
<b>MEETING:</b>	County Council
<b>DATE:</b>	12 September 2023
<b>TITLE OF REPORT:</b>	Appoint an elected member on the Standards Committee
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<b>PURPOSE OF THE REPORT:</b>	For the Council to appoint an elected member on the Standards Committee
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## **A. Background**

1. The Standards Committee is a statutory committee and is responsible for promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by the Isle of Anglesey county councillors and community council members in the area. This includes helping councillors follow the Code of Conduct for members.
2. The Isle of Anglesey County Council's Standards Committee has 9 members (2 county councillors, 5 independent members and 2 town and community council members). It is a legislative requirement that the committee includes representation from these three categories among its membership with the majority of committee members being independents.
3. Details of the committee and its current membership are available [here](#).
4. A process to fill an occasional vacant seat among independent members of the Standards Committee is currently underway. The Standards Committee Selection Panel will meet shortly to interview the shortlisted individuals. The Selection Panel includes an independent member, a representative of the town and community councils in the area and three County Councillors (Councillors Aled Morris Jones, Dylan Rees and Margaret Murley Roberts). It will be the decision of full Council to appoint on the recommendation of the Selection Panel. This will be the subject of a report to Council in due course.
5. This report is brought before the County Council because a vacant seat has arisen on the committee following the resignation of one County Councillor.

## **B. Appoint an elected County Council member on the Standards Committee:**

1. The process for appointing an elected member of the County Council on the Standards Committee is by a full Council decision.

2. In accordance with the legislative requirements for Standards Committees,
  - a. It is not a committee that attracts political balance;
  - b. No more than one member of the Executive may represent the elected members on the Standards Committee.  
  
Councillor Dafydd Rhys Thomas, portfolio holder for Highways, Property and Waste on the Executive, is already a member of the Standards Committee and therefore another member of the Executive Committee cannot be appointed on this occasion.
  - c. The Leader of the Council cannot be a member of the Standards Committee.
3. The period of the appointment shall be 4 years or until the next ordinary election for local authorities, whichever is earlier.
4. An elected member of the County Council may be re-appointed as a representative on the Standards Committee for one further subsequent term.

**C. Decision:**

1. That the Council nominates an elected member of the County Council, who is not a member of the Executive, as a member of the Standards Committee.