ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
MEETING:	County Council
DATE:	09/12/2025
TITLE OF REPORT :	To Appoint a Co-opted Independent Member to the Standards Committee
REPORT BY:	Standards Committee Selection Panel
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PURPOSE OF REPORT :	To ratify the recommendation of the Standards Committee Selection Panel

BACKGROUND

- Under Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 (as amended by the Local Government Act 2006) the Council must have a Standards Committee consisting of no more than nine members, the majority of whom must be independent members of the public.
- 2. The Standards Committee currently consists of five independent members, two community councillors and two county councillors.
- 3. Independent members must be appointed by Council on the recommendation of the Standards Committee Selection Panel. The Standards Committee currently has one casual vacancy.
- 4. The term of office of one of the independent members concludes on the 11th of December 2025

VACANCY FOR AN INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

- 5. Statutory Regulations require that the independent members of Standards Committee be appointed by Council, but only after compliance with a statutory selection process. To conduct this recruitment and selection process the County Council has delegated its authority to the Standards Committee Selection Panel; which consists of one independent member of the public, one community councillor and three county councillors (subject to political balance).
- 6. The current members of the Panel are Councillor Aled Morris Jones; Councillor Dylan Rees; Councillor Margaret Murley Roberts (Chair); Councillor Ann Kennedy (Holyhead Town Council) and Dr Teleri Mair Jones as the independent member.
- 7. Following the meeting of the Standards Committee Selection Panel on 23 September 2025 the vacancy was advertised on the Council's website and social media networks, the Bangor and Anglesey Mail and the Daily Post, with the closing date for applications being 5:00pm on 10 October 2025.

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- 8. Following the closing date, the applications received were considered by the Standards Committee Selection Panel in a shortlisting process which took place on 21 October 2025. In the shortlisting process the candidates were considered against the criteria for automatic disqualification. Having considered the applications, the Panel concluded that none of the candidates should be disqualified from appointment to the Standards Committee.
- 9. Shortlisted candidates were interviewed by the Standards Committee Selection Panel on 6th and 13th November 2025 when the Panel agreed to nominate **Mr David Davies** to be appointed to the role of independent member of the Standards Committee, subject to satisfactory references, which have since been received and assessed by the Chair of the Standards Committee Selection Panel.

RECOMMENDATIONS

To accept the recommendations of the Standards Committee Selection Panel as follows:-

- to appoint **Mr David Davies** as co-opted independent member of the Standards Committee with a term of office beginning on 12th December 2025; and
- in the event that a casual vacancy for an independent member of the Standards Committee arises during the next twelve months, to automatically appoint Dr Margaret Flynn to this role without need for a further recruitment process, provided always that this candidate remains eligible for the role, and subject to satisfactory references being received prior to the appointment.

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