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STANDARDS CONFERENCE WALES 2013

Balancing Rights and Responsibilities

Conference Programme VENUE CYMRU LLANDUDNO – 19 APRIL 2013

10.00 – 10.30	Registration & Tea/Coffee
10.30 – 10.45	Welcome and introduction – Dilys Phillips, Chair of ACSeS
10.45 – 11.30	Plenary session 1 – Peter Tyndall, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales
11.30 – 11.45	Tea/Coffee
11.45 – 12.45	<p>Workshop session 1:</p> <p>1A. Promoting standards proactively - Gwynedd</p> <p>1B. Conducting hearings and sanctions – Denbighshire and Conwy</p> <p>1C. Register of Interests and Dispensations – Isle of Anglesey and Flintshire</p>
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch
13.45 – 14.30	Plenary session 2 – Local Resolution Procedures Daniel Hurford, WLGA Dilys Phillips, Gwynedd Rod Jones, Swansea
14.30 – 14.45	Tea/Coffee
14.45 – 15.45	<p>Workshop session 2:</p> <p>2A. Promoting standards proactively - Gwynedd</p> <p>2B. Conducting hearings and sanctions – Denbighshire and Conwy</p> <p>2C. Standards issues for town and community councils and single purpose authorities – Wrexham and Snowdonia National Park</p>
15.45 – 16.00	Closing remarks – Howie Roberts Chair of the North Wales Forum of Chairs and Vice-chairs of Standards Committees

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Ffurflen adborth / Feedback form

Os gwelwch yn dda rhowch eich barn am y canlynol: <i>Please give your view on the following:</i>	Ardderchog <i>Excellent</i>	Da <i>Good</i>	Bodddhaol <i>Satisfactory</i>	Gwael <i>Poor</i>
Trefniadau cyn y gynhadledd <i>Pre-conference arrangements</i>	50	21	6	2
Pa mor ddefnyddiol oedd y gynhadledd <i>The usefulness of the Conference</i>	49	28	2	0
Y cyfle i rwydweithio <i>Opportunity for networking</i>	42	30	5	1
Lleoliad/Lluniaeth <i>Location/Refreshments</i>	54	18	3	1
Trefniadau'r gynhadledd <i>The Conference arrangements</i>	55	19	0	1
Deunyddiau'r gynhadledd <i>Conference materials</i>	47	23	8	2
Sesiwn lawn 1 – Peter Tyndall <i>Plenary session 1 – Peter Tyndall</i>	38	34	3	0
Sesiwn lawn 2 – trefn datrys leol <i>Plenary session 2 – local resolution procedure</i>	38	30	0	0
Gweithdy 1A/2A: hyrwyddo safonau <i>Workshop 1A/2A: promoting standards</i>	31	17	1	0
Gweithdy 1B/2B: gwrandawiadau a chosbau <i>Workshop 1B/2B: hearings and sanctions</i>	19	18	6	1
Gweithdy 1C: buddiannau a gollyngiadau <i>Workshop 1C: interests and dispensations</i>	12	9	3	0
Gweithdy 2C: cyngorau cymuned ac un bwrpas <i>Workshop 2C: communities and single purpose</i>	15	8	2	1

Sylwadau pellach / Further comments.

1.	I think we did a good job here in the North. Good balance of presentations and workshops.
2.	Very worthwhile exercise. Informative, lively, information sharing.
3.	Very well organised in all respects.
4.	Very well organised and useful. Well chosen topics. Good venue and good facilities.
5.	Very enjoyable and good Conference.
6.	Should have started at 9 or 9:30. Most stayed overnight or were within 1 hours drive Standards documents too large Perhaps One Voice Wales representative should be invited?
7.	I'd suggest that the Conference should have started earlier in the day. Those that travelled from South Wales probably all stayed the night before. Conference should have finished therefore at 15:30. Conference was excellent.
8.	Diddorol dros ben. Dim digon o drafod/gwaith grŵp yn Gweithdy 1C. Trefniadau da / dwyieithog.
9.	Would have liked longer to discuss Workshop 1A/2A – Promoting Standards.
10.	Would have preferred all the conference materials to be on the web or e-mail. The contents were very heavy to transport and a waste of paper. Could have condensed the day a little to perhaps start at 10:00 to enable us to get home earlier. Would be easier on a midweek day. Good use of bilingual communications.
11.	Found documentation awkward to negotiate.

12.	Generally good – but not as good over the whole range as the last 2/3 annual events have been. Venue (although at the opposite end of Wales for me) was very good.
13.	Nid oedd y brif neuadd yn lleoliad delfrydol ar gyfer y gweithdai (rhy fawr ac amheronol!) At y dyfodol, byddai'n ddefnyddiol pe bai'r dogfennau i aelodau'r gynhadledd gynnwys rhestr o'r holl aelodau, gan nodi pa Gyngor oeddent yn ei gynrychioli.
14.	Cynhadledd wedi ei threfnu'n dda gyda chynnwys ardderchog. Diolch!
15.	<i>Workshop 1C</i> – We didn't have the opportunity to work in small groups although tables were arranged to provide just the opportunity. I would have welcomed more workshop sessions, shorter lunch break if necessary. I would have been happy to forego the cost of having conference documents in English and Welsh.
16.	Page numbers needed on brochure. Morning group sessions not enough "Group Work".
17.	Balance of Workshops/Plenary – just right.
18.	Location – excellent – easy to find and very pleasant vicinity, good facilities. Refreshments – very good. Food – poor – satisfactory – very heavily bread orientated, good fruit sticks option.
19.	Members should have been asked prior to arriving if they wanted material in English or Welsh as of this document is waste! 1B – too rushed – needed 2 hour slot. 2C – Single Purpose Authorities was poor - Registration on interest was good.
20.	Venue could have been warmer and it would have been nice to have had some form of soft drink save for water. Otherwise – Excellent!
21.	As a new member of the Standards Committee I have found the conference to be extremely helpful.
22.	Da lawn.
23.	Excellent conference pack, well organised and relevant. 2C – This took the form of a presentation with questions rather than a workshop.
24.	It is encouraging to see the degree to which all participants engaged with the issues, are willing to share and learn from good practice.
25.	A useful and informative day. Thank you.
26.	The need for mandatory training per town and community councils on the code is foremost. We have to sign to state we have read this when elected but not all understand. Well Done.
27.	Prior commitment prevented attendance to morning session.
28.	Excellent venue and welcome from staff-organisers. I feel that once again Community Councils were disregarded in view of what they do and achieve re training in Standards.
29.	Excellent – particularly hearings and sanctions.
30.	Excellent conference. Acoustic conditions in workshops not good. Microphones needed. Food excellent.
31.	The workshop in interests wasn't really a workshop with participations.
32.	Conference materials overblown. Shiny paper not good. Papers very difficult to find ones way around. Liked idea of allocating people to tables for workshop sessions.
33.	Really good conference, well done to everyone involved in organising the day.
34.	At my first Standards Conference I found it very interesting and enjoyed hearing from others. The setting of the venue was much enjoyed! It was good to be able to chat to those with so much more experience.
35.	Really useful – lots to think about. Look forward to receiving conference notes.
36.	No further comments required. An informative and enjoyable conference.
37.	Wedi mwynhau'r profiad ac wedi dysgu llawer. Cynhadledd wedi ei threfnu yn dda. Diolch am gael bod yna.
38.	A very good day.
39.	Very enjoyable and good to meet other members. More time for Workshops would be good.
40.	I spent the first few minutes of each session trying to find the slides in the conference pack. Rather confusing – please could it be improved, at least with page numbering.
41.	Gormod o ddeunydd yn sleidiau Gweithdy B. Fformat Gweithdy A yn llawer gwell a mwy rhyngweithiol.
42.	Llongyfarchiadau am y trefniadau ac ar lwyddiant yr achlysur.
43.	The standard of arrangements was well above expectation!!

44.	Very well organised and relevant conference.
45.	Really useful, especially the opportunity to discuss with members of other Standards Committees. Raised a lot of new and interesting issues concerning the role of Standards Committees.
46.	Facilities - Main conference room was dark, black walls (!). Poor lighting. The room was very cold. Doors were left open and I asked several times if door could be closed. The women present sat in their coats. Thoroughly enjoyed and learned a great deal from Workshop Session 1A. Content was thin and I felt a wasted opportunity. Pack not numbered, difficult to follow. I do not eat diary products not asked dietary requirements before attending.
47.	Diwrnod buddiol - yn bennaf i glywed beth sydd yn mynd ymlaen mewn Awdurdodau eraill.
48	Buddiol iawn.