BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

15 NOVEMBER 2016

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

OMBUDSMAN CASEBOOKS

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide Members with a summary of cases that have been undertaken by the Ombudsman's Office.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority

2.1 Standards are an implicit requirement in the successful implementation of the Corporate Themes.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Ombudsman's Casebook is published on a quarterly basis and contains the summaries of all reports issued during the quarter, as well as a selection of summaries relating to quick fixes and voluntary settlements.
- 3.2 The Code of Conduct Casebook is published twice a year and contains the summaries of all reports issued under section 69(4) of the Local Government Act 2000.

4. Current situation / proposal

- 4.1 The Casebook is attached as **Appendix 1**.
- 4.2 The Code of Conduct Casebook for July 2016 is attached at **Appendix 2** and contains the summaries of those cases for which the hearings by the Standards Committee or Adjudication Panel for Wales have been concluded and the outcome of the hearing is known.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework& Procedure Rules

- 5.1 None.
- 6. Equality Impact Assessment
- 6.1 None.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 None.

8. Recommendation

8.1 The Committee is recommended to note the report.

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Background Documents

None