

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

14 JUNE 2018

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

APPOINTMENT TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Members will be aware that there is a vacancy for a Town and Community Councillor on the Standards Committee. It is therefore necessary for an appointment to be made to fill this vacancy.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives/Other Corporate Priorities

- 2.1 The Standards Committee functions directly support the Corporate Priorities.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Standards Committees (Wales) Regulations 2001 provide for the membership of Standards Committees. The Standards Committee of this Council has a current membership of seven members comprised as follows:

- Cllr M Clarke (County Borough Councillor)
- Cllr D Lewis (County Borough Councillor)
- Mr J Baker (Independent Member)
- Mrs J Keily (Independent Member)
- Mr C Jones (Chair, Independent Member)
- Mr P Clarke (Independent Member)
- Cllr G Walters (Town/Community Councillor)

4. Current situation / Proposal

- 4.1 At the Annual Meeting of Council on 16th May 2018, Council delegated authority to the Monitoring Officer to oversee a recruitment process and appointment and to report to Council any successful appointment.
- 4.2 For the vacancy of Town and Community Councillor, the Monitoring Officer will contact all Town & Community Councils within the administrative area of the County Borough and seek expressions of interest.
- 4.3 The following criteria will be adopted for the appointment:
- Understanding of the Model Code of Conduct.
 - Understanding / experience of undertaking investigative hearings.
 - Understanding of Local Government and the role of Members.
 - Acceptance of the values required within public office.
- 4.4 The expressions of interest received will then be reported back to the Committee for

shortlisting.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules

5.1 There is no effect upon the Policy Framework and Procedure Rules; however the Standards Committee contributes to the maintenance of probity in the Authority.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 None.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 None.

8. Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

8.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. As the report is for noting only it is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

9. Recommendation

9.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the report.

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