

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

26 JANUARY 2016

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the views of the Committee on the election of a Vice Chair.

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 Standards Committee (Wales) Regulations 2001 provide that a Chairperson shall be elected from amongst the Independent members of the Committee. A Vice Chair is also advisable so that any absence of the current Chair can be covered.

4. Current Situation / Proposal

- 4.1 Aside from the current Chair, there are two Independent Members who are serving their first term of office and are eligible to act as Vice Chair.
- 4.2 The Standards Committee (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006 permitted a second term of office for Independent Members, restricted to a maximum of 4 years. The current Chair will retire in February 2016 and therefore it is recommended that the Committee appoint a Vice Chair to ensure the proper operation of the Committee.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules

- 5.1 There is no effect upon the Policy Framework and Procedure Rules.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

- 6.1 There are no equality implications.

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 None.

8. Recommendation

8.1 It is recommended that the Committee appoint a Vice Chair from amongst the Independent Members to take office from the date of this Committee meeting for a term to be determined.

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Background documents

None