

# **BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **REPORT TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**24 MARCH 2016**

### **REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

##### **1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 To appoint a Chairperson for the Standards Committee.

##### **2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority**

2.1 The Standards Committee is responsible for promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by members and co-opted members. The conduct of members and co-opted members directly impact upon the Authority's ability to implement the Corporate Improvement objectives and other Corporate Priorities.

##### **3. Background**

3.1 Under the Standards Committees (Wales) Regulations 2001 the members of a Standards Committee shall elect a Chairperson from amongst the Independent Members of the Committee.

3.2 A Chairperson shall be elected for whichever is the shorter of the following periods: (a) a period of not less than four nor more than six years, (b) until the term of office of that person as an independent member of that standards committee comes to an end.

##### **4. Current Situation / Proposal**

4.1 The Council's Standards Committee consists of three Independent Members, two County Borough Council Members and two Town and Community Council Members.

3.2 The term of appointment for Ms Mary Powell, current Chair of the Standards Committee has now expired and there is a vacancy of the post of Chairperson.

##### **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 The report does not give rise to concerns on equality grounds and does not impact sections of society differentially.

## **7. Financial Implications**

7.1 Any appointments referred to in this report will be met from existing budgets.

## **8. Recommendation**

8.1 It is recommended that the Committee appoint a Chairperson 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