The Vale of Glamorgan Council

Standards Committee: 22nd November, 2018

Report of the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Correspondence with the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Committee in Part II of the agenda with an overview of correspondence received from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales and matters arising.

Recommendation

THAT the Standards Committee notes the contents of the report and considers the update on the correspondence received from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales ('the Ombudsman') and matters arising under the Part II report on this agenda.

Reason for the Recommendation

To apprise Members of the Committee.

Background

2. In line with the Committee's Forward Work Programme it has been agreed that a standing item appears on the Committee's agenda so that the Committee is apprised of correspondence received from the Ombudsman and any matters arising.

Relevant Issues and Options

3. The Monitoring Officer will provide an update to the Standards Committee, at the meeting, under Part II of this agenda in relation to recent correspondence and matters arising in line with the procedures of the Ombudsman and which are confidential at this stage.

Resource Implications (Financial and Employment)

4. None as a direct result of this report.

Sustainability and Climate Change Implications

5. None as a direct result of this report.

Legal Implications (to Include Human Rights Implications)

6. None as a direct result of this report.

Crime and Disorder Implications

7. None as a direct result of this report.

Equal Opportunities Implications (to include Welsh Language issues)

8. None as a direct result of this report.

Corporate/Service Objectives

9. Part of the role of the Standards Committee defined in its terms of reference is to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Councillors, Co-opted Members and Church and Parent Governor representatives.

Policy Framework and Budget

10. This report is a matter for the Standards Committee.

Consultation (including Ward Member Consultation)

11. The report does not involve any consultation with other parties.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee

12. None.

Background Papers

N/A

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Officers Consulted

None.

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