STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Decision Notice - Meeting, 27th May, 2021.

The Committee agenda is available here.

<u>Present:</u> Mrs. P. Hallett, Mr. R. Hendicott, Mrs. L. Tinsley and Mr. G. Watkins (Independent Members); Councillor M. Cuddy (Town and Community Council Representative) and Councillors Ms. R.M. Birch, B.T. Gray and A.R. Robertson (Vale of Glamorgan Council).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN -

RESOLVED – T H A T Mr. R. Hendicott be appointed Chairman of the Standards Committee for the current Municipal year.

AGENDA ITEM 2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN -

RESOLVED – T H A T Mrs. L. Tinsley be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee for the current Municipal year.

AGENDA ITEM 3. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE -

This was received from Mr. R. Alexander.

AGENDA ITEM 4. MINUTES -

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 25th March, 2021 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 6. APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION (MO / HLDS) -

RESOLVED – T H A T Sully and Lavernock Community Councillor D.W. Sylvester be granted dispensation to <u>speak only</u> at meetings of the Sully and Lavernock Community Council where issues are raised in respect of Playing Field Matters, in accordance with paragraphs (d) and (f) of The Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001, until the next Local Government elections.

Reason for decision

To comply with the regulations and obligations for the grant of dispensations to speak and vote.

AGENDA ITEM 7. REPORT FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS AT TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS (MO / HLDS) –

RESOLVED -

- (1) THAT the verbal updates provided by Standards Committee Independent Members at the meeting be noted.
- (2) T H AT the intention to continue to undertake observations of Town and Community Council and Vale of Glamorgan Council meetings by Standards Committee Independent Members be noted.

Reason for decisions

(1&2) Having regard to the observations undertaken and the role of the Standards Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 8. MONITORING OFFICER MEETINGS WITH CLERKS OF TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS (MO/HLDS) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the report and the Monitoring Officer's verbal update in respect of the Clerks meeting held on 19th May, 2021 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the report, the verbal update provided by the Monitoring Officer and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9. LOCAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION HEARING – APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN (MO/HLDS) –

RESOLVED – T H A T delegated powers be granted to the three members of a Local Dispute Resolution Procedure Panel to appoint a Chairman from amongst themselves prior to the hearings taking place.

Reason for decision

To allow for decisions to be made regarding any arrangements or procedural matters that may require to be put in place prior to a hearing.

AGENDA ITEM 10. CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES (MO / HLDS) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the contents of the report be noted, having regard to the fact that an update on the correspondence received from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales and any matters arising under Part II of the report would be considered under Part II of the agenda.

Reason for decision

To apprise Members of the Committee.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC -

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

AGENDA ITEM 12. CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES (MO/HLDS) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 12, 13 AND 14) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the confidential information provided by the Monitoring Officer be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to correspondence received from the Ombudsman, noting that it was confidential at this stage.