

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.**Standards Community Sub- Committee
30th November, 2009****REPORT BY: Head of Legal, Scrutiny and Democratic Services****SUBJECT: Matters appertaining to Standards Issues**

REPORT FOR: Decision, Information and Discussion

A. Members' Code of Conduct**A1 Adoption of the new Model Members' Code of Conduct by Town and Community Councils**

A1.1 With regard to the monitoring of the adoption of the Code by Town and Community Councils the Committee will be pleased to note that the last Community Council to provide the necessary documentation, namely, Bettws Community Council has now done so and arrangements are in hand to publicise their adoption of the Code. This, therefore, concludes the Sub-Committees scrutiny of the adoption of the new Members' Code of Conduct by Community Councils in Powys.

B. Referral of Councillors to Public Services Ombudsman**B1. Town and Community Councillor Referrals**

B1.1 Since the last meeting no new referrals to the Ombudsman have been notified.

C. Other Standards Issues**C.1 Supportive Action for Town and Community Councils**

C.1.1 The Vice Chair, Mr Ralph Miller has requested that the Sub-Committee debate how best to support Town and Community Councils that may have certain difficulties whether by visiting such Councils or otherwise. There has been a recent case involving the resignation of a Clerk and the Chair is intending to meet with representatives of that Community Council in due course.

C.2 One Voice Wales Presentations to Shire Committees

C.2.1 One Voice Wales is scheduled to make presentations on their role to Shire meetings of the County Council as follows:-

Montgomeryshire – Wednesday, 9th December, 2009

Radnorshire – Wednesday, 17th February, 2009 (Provisional)
Brecknockshire – Wednesday, 24th March, 2009 (Provisional)

Members of the Sub-Committee are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

D. Dispensations

D1. Applications - Town and Community Councillors

D1.1 Applications for dispensations have been received from 7 Members of Llansantffraid Community Council;

Copies of their applications **Appendix 1**, together with observations **Appendix 2 (to follow)** are attached to this report.

E. Meeting Dates.

E1. To note dates of future meetings as follows:

2010 meeting dates.

3rd February, 2010.
28th April, 2010.
23rd June, 2010.
29th September, 2010.
1st December, 2010.

All meetings to commence at 10.00 am with the option of training available afterwards.

Recommendation:		Reason for Recommendation:	
Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Yes	Within Budget:	Yes
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