

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMUNITY SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD BY TEAMS ON FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2021**

PRESENT: Mr S Hays (Chair)

Independent Members: Mrs J Evans, Mrs C Moore and Mrs C Mulholland

County Councillor: County Councillor K M Roberts-Jones

Town and Community Council Representatives: Councillors M Morris, J Shearer and H Patrick

In attendance: Mr Clive Pinney, Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

1.	APOLOGIES
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There were no apologies for absence.

2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
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There were no declarations of interest.

3.	CONFIDENTIAL ITEM
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RESOLVED to exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under category 8 of The Council's Access to Information Rules.

4.	REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER
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The Monitoring Officer presented a report on the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales' investigation into allegation of a breach of the Members' Code of Conduct.

RESOLVED	Reason for decision
1. The Standards Community Sub-Committee should adopt and follow the procedures established for such meetings by Powys County Council as set out in Rules 18.4 of the Constitution of Powys County Council and attached as Appendix 2 to the report.	To comply with the requirements under the Local Government Investigations (Functions of Monitoring Officers and Standards Committees) (Wales) Regulations 2001.
2. That the Standards Community Sub-Committee on considering the Ombudsman's Investigation Report in Appendix 1 to the report that it considers that there is evidence which might amount to a failure to comply with the code of conduct to give the town councillor the opportunity to make representations,	To comply with its obligations under the Local Government Investigations (Functions of Monitoring Officers and Standards Committees) (Wales) Regulations 2001.

<p>either orally or in writing at a future meeting in respect of the findings of the investigation and any allegation that he has failed, or may have failed, to comply with the code of conduct in accordance with the procedures adopted under 1 above.</p>	
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S Hays
Chair