

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMUNITY SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM A - COUNTY HALL, LLANDRINDOD WELLS,
POWYS ON WEDNESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2018**

PRESENT: Mrs H Rhydderch-Roberts (Chair)

Independent Members: Mrs C Jackson, Mrs J Evans, Mr S Hays and Mrs C Mulholland

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

County Councillor: Councillor K M Roberts-Jones

In attendance:

Ms D Jones (Deputy Monitoring Officer) and Miss C Johnson (Democratic Services Officer)

1.	APOLOGIES
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Apologies for absence were received from Mr C Pinney [Monitoring Officer] and Mr W Richards [Head of Democratic Services].

2.	MINUTES
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The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 27 June, 2018 as a correct record, subject to the list of attendees being amended to refer to Mrs C Mulholland rather than C Mulholland. It was requested that the use of titles is consistent in the minutes.

3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
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No declarations of interest were received.

4.	REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL
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The Committee received the report of the Solicitor to the Council (copy filed with signed minutes).

A Referral of Councillors to the Public Services Ombudsman

A1 Town and Community Councillor Referrals

7/17/TCC	Ombudsman investigating
5/18/TCC	Complaint received – Ombudsman discontinued investigation
6/18/TCC	Ombudsman investigating
7/18/TCC	Complaint received – Ombudsman not investigating but now subject to review
8/18/TCC	Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate
9/18/TCC	Ombudsman - not investigating
10/18/TCC	Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate
11/18/TCC	Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate
12/18/TCC	Complaint received – Ombudsman not investigating

- 13/18/TCC Ombudsman investigating
- 14/18/TCC Complaint received – Ombudsman discontinued investigation in light of evidence received
- 15/18/TCC Complaint received – Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate
- 16/18/TCC Complaint received – Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate
- 17/18/TCC Complaint received – Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate

B. Dispensations

B1. Applications – Town and Community Councillors

Although an application for dispensation had been received the individual had since resigned from Talgarth Town Council.

C Ombudsman's Casebook

The Ombudsman had published the April – June 2018 Code of Conduct Casebooks.

D Adjudication Panel for Wales Sanctions Guidance

The Committee noted the Sanctions Guidance.

E Meeting dates

The Committee noted that the Council diary would be considered at the Council meeting on 18 October, 2018 after which the Committee's dates would be circulated.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer advised that as the Chair's Term of Office comes to an end on 13 May, 2019 the process for agreeing the recruitment and appointment of a replacement independent member would be considered by Council at its meeting on 18 October, 2018.

The Sub-Committee thanked Liz Patterson, Scrutiny Officer for her support to the Sub-Committee.

Mrs H Rhydderch-Roberts (Chair)