

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**Standards Community Sub-Committee
5 December 2022**

REPORT BY: Head of Legal and Monitoring Officer

SUBJECT: Standards Issues

REPORT FOR: Decision, Information and Discussion

A. Referral of Councillors to Public Services Ombudsman

A1. Town and Community Councillor Referrals

The current position regarding matters with the Ombudsman is as follows:

03/20/TCC Ombudsman not investigating
09/20/TCC Ombudsman not investigating
10/20/TCC Ombudsman not investigating

04/21/TCC Ombudsman not investigating
05/21/TCC Ombudsman no action taken
11/21/TCC Ombudsman investigating
12/21/TCC Ombudsman investigating
13/21/TCC Complaint withdrawn
14/21/TCC Ombudsman no action taken
15/21/TCC Ombudsman not investigating

01/22/TCC Ombudsman not investigating
02/22/TCC Ombudsman not investigating
03/22/TCC Ombudsman deciding whether or not to investigate

B. Dispensations

B1. General Dispensations

During the previous lifetime of the Council a number of general dispensations were granted for ongoing or single issues. These dispensations continue in force until the first meeting of the Standards Committee after the May 2022 elections unless before those elections the Standards Committee revokes, amends or alters the dispensation.

The Committee need to consider the approval of dispensations for the current term of office. Details of the general dispensations is attached at **Appendix 1**.

B2. Applications – Town and Community Councillors

No applications for dispensation have been received from town and community councillors.

C. Ombudsman’s Casebook

The Ombudsman has replaced the Code of Conduct Casebooks, which were published on a Quarterly basis, with [Ombudsman Wales - Our Findings](#). It should be noted that “Our Findings” covers all matters investigated by the Ombudsman and not just Code of Conduct matters. “Our Findings” is updated on a monthly basis.

‘Our Findings’ contains a search facility, which includes “Subject”. Under the “Subject” heading the following categories of the Code are listed:

- Integrity
- Promotion of equality and respect
- Disclosure and registration of interest
- Duty to uphold the law
- Selflessness and Stewardship

E. Meeting Dates

To note the date of the next meetings:

2023
8 February at 2pm
14 June at 2pm
25 October at 2pm

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