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MAE HWN YN GYFARFOD Y MAE GAN Y CYHOEDD HAWL EI FNYCHU

Dydd Gwener, 15 Medi 2023

Annwyl Syr/Madam

PWYLLGOR SAFONAU

Cynhelir cyfarfod o'r Pwyllgor Safonau yn Ystafell y Weithrediaeth, Canolfan Ddinesig, Glynebwy on Dydd Iau, 21ain Medi, 2023 am 2.00 pm.

Yn gywir

Damien McCann
Prif Weithredwr Interim

AGENDA

1. CYFIEITHU AR Y PRYD

Mae croeso i chi ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg yn y cyfarfod, mae angen o leiaf 3 diwrnod gwaith o rybudd os dymunwch wneud hynny. Darperir gwasanaeth cyfieithu ar y pryd os gwneir cais am hynny.

2. YMDDIHEURIADAU

Derbyn ymddiheuriadau.

Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a Saesneg a byddwn yn cyfathrebu gyda chi yn eich dewis iaith, dim ond i chi rhoi gwybod i ni pa un sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn creu unrhyw oedi.

The Council welcomes correspondence in Welsh and English and we will communicate with you in the language of your choice, as long as you let us know which you prefer. Corresponding in Welsh will not lead to any delay.

3. DATGANIADAU BUDDIANT A GODDEFEBAU

Derbyn unrhyw ddatganiadau buddiant a goddefebau a wnaed.

4. PWYLLGOR SAFONAU

5 - 6

Derbyn penderfyniadau'r cyfarfod arbennig o'r Pwyllgor Safonau a gynhaliwyd ar 2 Mawrth 2023.

(Dylid nodi y cyflwynir y penderfyniadau er pwyntiau cywirdeb yn unig).

5. DALEN WEITHREDU

7 - 8

Derbyn y Ddalen Weithredu yn deillio o'r cyfarfod arbennig a gynhaliwyd ar 2 Mawrth 2023.

6. ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL YR OMBWDSMON

Ystyried Adroddiad Blynyddol yr Ombwdsmon.

<https://www.ombudsman.wales/annual-report-accounts/>

EITHREDIG

Derbyn ac ystyried yr adroddiadau dilynol sydd ym marn y swyddog priodol yn eitemau eithredig gan roi ystyriaeth i'r prawf budd cyhoeddus ac y dylai'r wasg a'r cyhoedd gael eu heithrio o'r cyfarfod (mae'r rheswm am y penderfyniad am yr eithriad ar gael ar restr a gedwir gan y swyddog priodol).

7. ATGYFEIRIADAU I'R OMBWDSMON

9 - 12

Ystyried atgyfeiriadau a wnaed i'r Ombwdsmon.

At: Cynghorwyr R. Alexander (Cadeirydd)
Lynch
Rosser
S. Williams
J L White
M. Cross
J. Thomas
L. Winnett

Pob Aelod arall (er gwybodaeth)
Rheolwr Gyfarwyddwr
Prif Swyddogion

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STANDARDS COMMITTEE

2ND MARCH, 2023

PRESENT: MR R. ALEXANDER (CHAIR)

Mr S. Williams
Mr R. Lynch
Ms J. White
Councillor M. Cross
Councillor L. Winnett

WITH: Head of Legal and Corporate Compliance
(Monitoring Officer)
Data Protection & Governance Officer

1. SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION

No requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.

2. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from:-

Ms S. Rosser
Councillor J. Thomas

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.

4. STANDARDS COMMITTEE – 24TH JANUARY, 2023

The decisions of the Standards Committee held on the 24th January, 2023 were submitted.

The Committee AGREED that the decisions be accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. ACTION SHEET

The Action Sheet arising from the meeting held on 24th January, 2023 was submitted.

The Committee AGREED that the action sheet be noted and raised the following points:-

- That the suggestion be made to the Leader that the Standards Committee be renamed 'Ethics & Standards Committee' at Annual Council.
- That the current involvement of the Standards Committee to support Town/Community Councils work to remain as it currently stands.
- The matter of Town/Community Council representation at the Standards Committee meetings be pursued.
- Enhanced description of the work and composition/profile of the Standards Committee be included on the existing webpage including the inclusion of the Annual Report.

6. STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22

Consideration was given to the Annual Report 2021-22.

The Committee AGREED that the Annual Report be approved and be presented to Council on 30th March, 2023 and also raised the following points:-

- The Chair to be invited to attend Council on 30th March to answer any questions/clarify points that may be raised in relation to the Standards Committee Annual Report.
- Annual Reports to be developed in January each year with a Standards Committee being held annually in February to discuss, with report going forward to Council in March.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Standards Committee to be convened late May/early June 2023.

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

Action Sheet

Standards Committee

Meeting Date	Action to be Taken	By Whom	Action Taken
<p>2nd March 2023</p> <p>Item 5</p>	<p><u>ACTION SHEET</u></p> <p>Terms of Reference - 24 January 2023 meeting – Suggestion to the Leader for the Standards Committee to be renamed ‘Ethics & Standards Committee’ at Council.</p>	<p>Andrea Jones</p>	<p>It was agreed at Council (30th March 2023) to change the name of the Standards Committee to “Ethics and Standards Committee”.</p> <p>Action complete: 30th March 2023</p>
	<p>Terms of Reference – 24 January 2023 meeting – look at the involvement of the Standards Committee in Town/Community Council work.</p>	<p>Andrea Jones</p>	<p>The Standards Committee agreed that the current involvement of the Standards Committee to support Town/Community Councils to remain as it currently stands.</p> <p>Action complete: 2nd March 2023</p>
	<p>The matter of Town/Community Council representation at the Standards Committee meetings be pursued.</p>	<p>Steve Berry</p>	<p>Town Council appointing replacement at AGM in May. Follow up email sent 30th May to request update.</p> <p>Action complete:</p>

Meeting Date	Action to be Taken	By Whom	Action Taken
	<p>Look to establish a specific webpage promoting the work of the Standards Committee - 24 January 2023 - Enhanced description of the work and composition/profile of the Standards Committee be included on the existing webpage including the inclusion of the Annual Report.</p>	Andrea Jones/ Steve Berry	<p>This page has now been created and information such as the ToR and Annual Report added. Further additions can be made when required.</p> <p>https://www.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/en/council/councillors-and-committees/ethics-and-standards-committee/</p> <p>Action complete: 14th April 2023</p>
Item 6	<p><u>STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2021 - 2022</u></p>		
	<p>Chair to be invited to attend Council on 30th March to answer any questions/clarify points that may be raised in relation to the Standards Committee Annual Report.</p>	Andrea Jones	<p>Completed</p> <p>Action complete: 30th March 2023</p>
	<p>Annual Reports to be developed in January each year with a Standards Committee being held annually in February to discuss, with report going forward to Council in March.</p>	Andrea Jones	<p>Action complete:</p>

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