

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE

(Committee Room 1/2 - Port Talbot Civic Centre)

**Members Present:**

**17 January, 2019**

**Chairperson:** C.L.Jones

**Vice Chairperson:** Mrs.B.Richards

**Independent  
Members:** L.Fleet

**NPTCBC Members:** **Councillors** S.E.Freeguard and A.L.Thomas

**Officers In  
Attendance:** C.Griffiths and A.Manchipp

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1. **URGENT ITEM**

With the permission of the Chairperson, the Head of Legal Service and Monitoring Officer raised the following item.

Reason for Urgency

Due to the time element.

2. **UPDATE**

The Committee received an update regarding the private matter discussed on 23 November 2018 in relation to Cllr.P.M. and noted that a Standards Committee would be convened to discuss the matter in more detail, with a provisional date allocated of 10 April 2019.

3. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED:** That pursuant to Section 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following item of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 18c of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the above Act.

4. **REFERRAL FROM THE OMBUDSMAN**

The Committee received an overview of a referral received from the Ombudsman in relation to Cllr S.M.

**RESOLVED:** That pursuant to Regulation 7 of the Local Government Investigations (Functions of Monitoring Officers and Standards Committees) (Wales) Regulations 2001 and all and any other powers, having received a report from the Monitoring Officer, the Community Councillor be given the opportunity to make representations, either orally or in writing in respect of the findings of the investigation referred to in that report and any allegation of a failure to comply with the Code.

**CHAIRPERSON**