

## **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

### **REPORT OF HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES MR. DAVID MICHAEL**

**17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015**

#### **SECTION B – MATTER FOR INFORMATION**

**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL**

#### **RECRUITMENT TO BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

##### **Purpose of Report**

To advise Members of Standards Committee of an approach received from Bridgend County Borough Council.

##### **Background**

On 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 I received the following email from Ms Laura Griffiths of Legal Services in Bridgend County Borough Council:-

“Dear All,

Our Standards Committee currently has vacancies for two Independent Members to sit on the Committee. We are in the process of recruiting for the position but the Chair of our Standards Committee has asked me to contact neighbouring authorities to seek expressions of interest from your Independent Members in the event that any members would be interested in also sitting on our Committee here in Bridgend.

The schedule of Standards Committee meetings for the period June 2015 to March 2016 has been confirmed as follows:

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2pm  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016, 2pm.

All of the meetings above are planned to be held at Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend.

If you believe that any of your members would be interested in also becoming an Independent Member on our Committee, I would be grateful if you could forward their contact details so that we can make the necessary contact by no later than Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

We do of course have very high standard of membership currently on our Committee and our members would be more than happy for their details to be passed to you should your Committee ever consider pursuing this option to assist with the delivery of the work of your Committee.

Kind Regards,

Laura

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**Laura Griffiths | Senior Solicitor**  
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The invitation was to independent members of the Standards Committee i.e. those who are not either County Borough or Community Council Members. The invitation was circulated amongst independent Members of the Standards Committee.

There is no legal impediment to a person becoming a member of more than one Standards Committee and, indeed, there is something to be gained from this in that the member would then gain wider experience.

### **Appendices**

None

### **List of Background Papers**

Email from Bridgend County Borough Council.

### **Officer Contact**

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