STANDARDS COMMITTEE (RECONVENNED)

(Board Room - Neath Civic Centre)

Members Present:	<u>4 November, 2015</u>
Chairperson:	G.T.Pullen
Vice Chairperson:	Mrs J.E.Howells
Independent Member:	Mrs.B.Richards and Mrs S.Davies
NPTBC Members:	Councillors D.Keogh and A.L.Thomas
Community Committee Member:	Councillor Mrs S.Davies
Officers in Attendance:	D.Michael and Mrs.T.Davies
Apologies:	C.L.Jones

1. 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, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption is considered to outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information.

2. REFERRAL FROM THE OMBUDSMAN

Members discussed the private, circulated report, as well as the Members Code of Conduct.

RESOLVED: 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 that having received a report from the deputy Monitoring Officer that the Councillor should 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 in this case being Paragraph (1) (a) of the Code.

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CHAIRPERSON