

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

URGENT REPORT OF THE HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES D.MICHAEL

16 MARCH 2018

MATTER FOR DECISION

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

MEMBERSHIP OF ADVISORY PANEL TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS TO BECOME INDEPENDENT MEMBERS

Purpose of Report

1. To obtain a nomination from the Standards Committee of a replacement member to sit on the Advisory Panel, which will consider applications to become independent members of the Standards Committee.

Background

2. It is a requirement of the legislation regulating Standards Committees that the appointment of Independent Members, although a matter for Council should be subject to a recommendation from an independent panel.
3. A panel has been established by the Council to consider applications to become independent members.
4. The composition of such panels is partly regulated by statute. It has been decided by Council that the panel will consist of one lay member Ms Gaynor Richards of Neath Port Talbot CVS, the Mayor of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council and Councillor Del Morgan, being Members of this Council and two independent members of the Standards Committee Ms Julie Howells Vice Chair and a further member of the

Standards Committee drawn from the remaining independent members.

5. I therefore require a nomination from amongst the independent members of a replacement member to serve on the panel.

Financial Impact

6. Any expenditure will be contained within existing budgets.

Equality Impact Assessment

7. Equalities issues are dealt with in the procedure to appoint members of the Standards Committee.

Workforce Impacts

8. There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal Impacts

9. The legal requirements for this procedure are set out in the report.

Consultation

10. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this report.

Recommendations

11. That the Standards Committee nominate one member drawn from the independent members to serve on the Advisory Panel.

Reason for proposed decision.

12. To secure appointments to the Standards Committee.

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