STANDARDS COMMITTEE 16/03/18

CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING FOR TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS

Recommendations / key decisions required:

To consider the training presentation and agree dates for the proposed sessions

Reasons:

The subject matter of this report falls within the remit of the Committee

Scrutiny Committee recommendations / comments:

Not applicable

Exec Board Decision Required

Council Decision Required

NO NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Clir E Dole (Leader)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY STANDARDS COMMITTEE 16/03/18

CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING FOR TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS

For several years the Standards Committee has arranged training sessions on the Members Code of Conduct for Town and Community Councillors. These have been held in County Hall in June or July, and the 2017 sessions were well received with approximately 100 delegates in attendance over the two evenings.

Preparations are now being made to repeat these sessions in 2018 and a revised presentation is attached which seeks to refresh the content so that it continues to be relevant

The main changes are:

- 1. Deletion of the section on pre-determination
- 2. Deletion of the various questions & case studies and their replacement with a new 'Case Studies' section with 3 detailed studies based on real cases.

It is also suggested that delegates be provided with sample dispensation applications, from those received by the committee in recent years.

One of the main elements of the feedback from the 2017 sessions was the desire for greater use of the welsh language. The committee therefore needs to decide how this might be achieved.

Once the presentation has been finalised it will be send for translation.

As regards the venue and dates for these training sessions, the Committee needs to decide whether to repeat last year's arrangements (two evening sessions in County Hall), increase the number of sessions and/or host them at a variety of locations outside of County Hall.

The committee will also need to decide whether to place a limit upon the number of delegates that attend from each council and/or give priority particular groups.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES



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IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: L Rees-Jones

Head of Administration and Law

Policy, Crime & Disorder and	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
Equalities NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed belowSigned:L Rees-JonesHead ofAdministration and Law

- 1. Scrutiny Committee Not applicable
- 2. Local Member(s) Not applicable
- 3. Community / Town Council Not applicable
- 4. Relevant Partners Not applicable
- 5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations Not applicable

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Legal file	DPSC-160	Legal Services, County Hall

