

**REPORT OF GROUP LEADER IN RELATION TO DUTY
UNDER SECTION 69 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021**

Report by:	Jane Tremlett				
Political Group:	Independent				
No. of members:	Eleven	No. trained on Code:		X (Y%)	
		3			
For the period:	09 May 2022 – 31 March 2023				
<u>Number, Source and Level of Complaints</u>					
	Informal	Local Resolution (Stage)			PSOW
		1	2	3	
Public	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Officers	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Councillors	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Steps taken to Promote Compliance (To Be Completed by Group Leader)</u>					
Include matters such as:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - your attendance at Code of Conduct training - demonstrating personal commitment to and attending relevant development or training around equalities and standards; - encouraging group members to attend relevant development or training around equalities and standards; - ensuring nominees to a Committee have received the recommended training for that Committee; 					
<p>Attendance of three members at the Code of Conduct Training held on 17/05/22 following the County Council Elections was disappointing. All members of the Independent Group have been contacted and advised of the date and time (27 April 2023) of the next Code of Conduct Training Seminar.</p> <p>The email advising the next seminar has stressed the importance of attending this session to be briefed and have an understanding of the Code and be able to put it into practice in their duties as a councillor.</p>					

<p>The Nolan Principles (known as The Seven Principles of Public Life) has also been distributed to the Independent Group. As Independent Group Leader I have never had, or been advised of, any concerns regarding the conduct of any Independent member during this, or any previous Administration.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promoting civility and respect within group communications and meetings and in formal Council meetings; - promoting informal resolution procedures in the Council, and working with the Standards Committee and monitoring officers to achieve local resolution; - promoting a culture within the group which supports high standards of conduct and integrity; - attend a meeting of the Council's Standards Committee if requested to discuss Code of Conduct issues;
<p>In agreement with all the above.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - work to implement any recommendations from the Standards Committee about improving standards; - work together with other group leaders, within reason, to collectively support high standards of conduct within the Council.
<p>Again agree with both the above.</p>
<p>Any other matters you consider to be relevant and wish to raise</p>
<p>None</p>

Signed Jane Tremlett

Dated 31st March 2023