

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

18 SEPTEMBER 2023

RECENT DECISIONS BY THE ADJUDICATION PANEL FOR WALES

Purpose: To note the decisions made and identify any points of learning

To consider and comment on the following issues:

What actions (if any) need to be taken

Reasons:

Adjudication Panel decisions provide useful guidance to Standards committees in the performance of their functions

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Not Applicable

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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The Adjudication Panel for Wales (APW) has responsibility for determining the most serious Code of Conduct referrals from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales as considering appeals disciplinary decisions by Standards Committees.

Since the 1st April 2023 the APW has determined 4 referrals from the Ombudsman. These cases are

- Councillor Steve Davies (Ceredigion County Council and Aberystwyth Town Council)
- Former Councillor Chris Evans (Newport City Council)
- Former Councillor Donald Jenkins (St Harmon Community Council)
- Former Councillor Laurie-Parry (Powys County Council)

The committee are invited to consider the attached decision reports and identify any learning points from them.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

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: Linda Rees-Jones

Head of Administration and Law

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

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: *LRJones*

Head of Administration 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

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED

N/A

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

There are none.