



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



Cardiff Council Standards & Ethic Committee

Cllr Julia Charles, Radyr & Morganstown Community Cllr & Community Council Representative on Cardiff Council Standards & Ethics Committee

July 2023



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**

Terms of Reference of Standards Committee



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



Monitor, Scrutinise and Report

Recommend

Advise on its ethical code

Hear and determine

Consider and Determine outcomes

Monitor compliance

Consider ethical issues

Advise and arrange training

To undertake those functions in relation to community councils situated in the area of the Council and members of those community councils which are required by law, that is to deal with complaints referred to the Standards Committee by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**

Membership of Standards Committee



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



5 Independent members



3 Councillors



One Community Councillor



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**

Standards Committee Engagement with Community Councils



Attendance at meetings



Observe and Feedback



Set up a hearing panel



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou

Code of Conduct- Principles of Public Life



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



Selflessness

Honesty

**Integrity and
propriety**

**Duty to uphold
the law**

Stewardship

Objectivity

**Equality and
respect**

Accountability

Openness

Leadership



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**

Why should we comply with the Code of Conduct?



It's the LAW

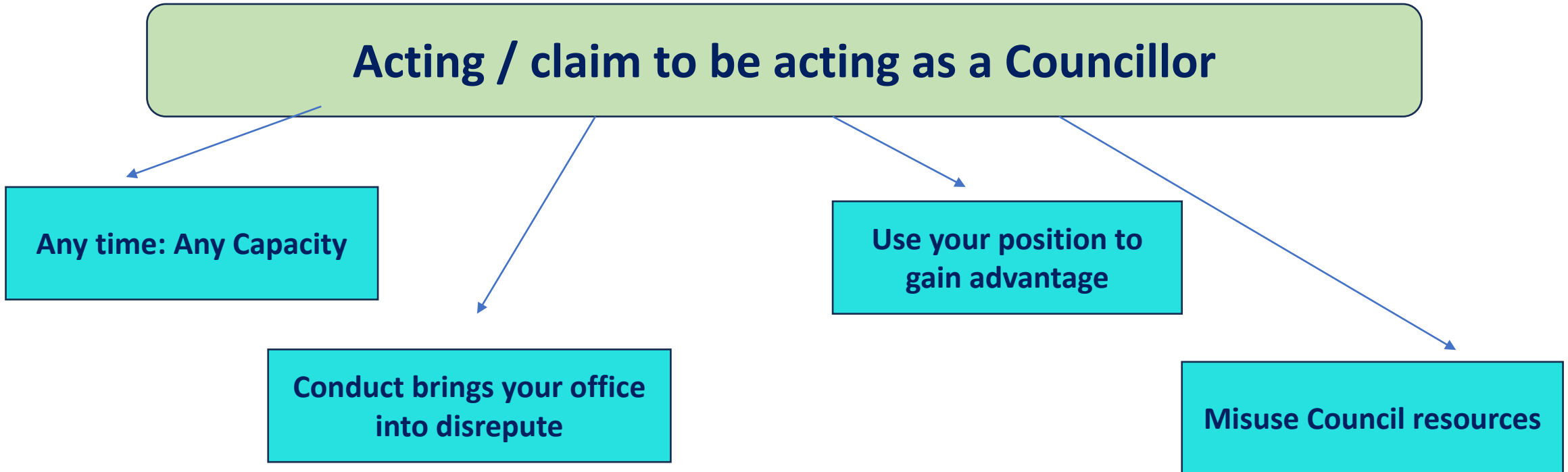


Public confidence matters



Breaches could result in suspension

Code of Conduct Applies:



We must: ✓



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



**Have regard and promote
equalities**

**Show respect and
consideration for others**

Report criminal behaviour

**Report a breach of the
Code**

Comply with an investigation



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**

We must not:



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



Make vexatious malicious or frivolous complaints against other members

Bully or harass

Compromise impartiality

Disclose confidential information

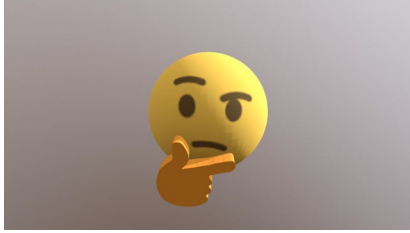
Prevent access to information

Accept gifts or hospitality that would place you under an obligation



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou



Also Remember....



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



**Register and declare
an interest**

**Personal interest in
any Council business**

**If you have a personal
or prejudicial
interest...**

**Avoid bias and pre-
determination**

What about gifts and hospitality?

What about Social Media?



**#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi**

**#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou**



STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER



WLGA Social Media A guide for Cllrs:

<http://www.wlga.wales/SharedFiles/Download.aspx?pageid=62&mid=665&fileid=344>

WLGA : Cllrs Guide to Handling Online Abuse:

<http://www.wlga.wales/SharedFiles/Download.aspx?pageid=62&mid=665&fileid=1504>



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou



***“What happens if
there is a complaint
about me?”***



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou



Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – Guidance on the Code of Conduct

<https://www.ombudsman.wales/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Code-of-Conduct-Guidance-Community-Councils.pdf>



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou

Contact



**STRONGER
FAIRER
GREENER**



Davina Fiore, Monitoring Officer

davina.fiore@cardiff.gov.uk

James Williams, Deputy Monitoring Officer

james.williams2@cardiff.gov.uk

Kumi Ariyadasa, Governance Solicitor

KAriyadasa@cardiff.gov.uk



#GweithioDrosGaerdydd
#GweithioDrosochChi

#WorkingForCardiff
#WorkingForYou