

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL
SERVICES AND MONITORING OFFICER**

ELECTION OF CHAIR

Reason for this Report

1. To elect a new Chair (and Vice-Chair, if necessary) to take up the position after the expiry of the current Chair's term of office.

Background

2. Under the Standards Committees (Wales) Regulations 2001 ('the 2001 Regulations', Regulation 22) and the Council's Constitution, Article 9.2(f), the members of the Committee must elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson from amongst the independent members of the Committee. The Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson are to be elected for a period of between 4 and 6 years or until the term of office of that person as an independent member of the Committee comes to an end, whichever is the shorter; and may be reappointed for a second term.

Issues

3. The term of office of the Chair is due to end on 1st November 2021. As this is the Chair's second term of office, no further reappointment is possible (under Regulation 21 of the 2001 Regulations). The Committee therefore needs to elect a new Chair to take up the position after the expiry of the current Chair's term of office on 1st November 2021. Nominations are invited for the position of Chair.
4. If the position of Vice-Chair may consequently become vacant, then a new Vice-Chair will also need to be elected. Members may wish to note that the current Vice-Chair's second term of office is due to end on 21st June 2022.

Legal Implications

5. The legal implications are contained within the body of the report.

Financial Implications

6. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to elect a new Chair to take up the position after the expiry of the current Chair's term of office on 1st November 2021, and also elect a new Vice-Chair, if that position consequently becomes vacant, with effect from the same date.

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Background papers

Standards and Ethics Committee report, 'Independent Member Appointments', 3rd March 2021