

## SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 **EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS**

## **MEETING AND DATE OF MEETING:**

Standards Committee - 12th June 2017

TITLE OF REPORT: Recent decision of Public Services Ombudsman for Wales not to investigate

**AUTHOR:** Robert Tranter, Monitoring Officer & Head of Legal Services

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendation to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT: Paragraph 12 of Schedule 12A Part 4 Access to Information: Exempt Information Local Government Act 1972 - information relating to a particular individual and paragraph 13 - information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE: Transparency

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED: As the Ombudsman decided not to investigate the complaint, details of the complaint are never disclosed by the Ombudsman or the Council.

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS: That the information contained in the report should remain exempt.

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

Date: 1-6-17

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Signed:

Post: Monitoring Officer & Head of Legal Services

I accept/do not accept the recommendation made above