

SUBJECT:	Training records of members
MEETING:	Standards Committee
DATE:	27th November 2017
DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED:	All

1. PURPOSE:

To provide the Standards Committee with an update of the training that has been undertaken by members.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

To note the content of the attached training record.

3. KEY ISSUES:

Under section 7 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, *a local authority must secure the provision of reasonable training and development opportunities for its members*. The Welsh Government has produced statutory guidance under the 2011 Measure and recommends that *local authorities provide opportunities for what is essential for a local authority member to perform their role effectively*. The guidance goes on to suggest a non-exhaustive list of some of the areas in which local authorities may wish to consider providing training for their members which includes:-

- Induction.
- Role and functions of the executive, the council and its officers.
- Overview and scrutiny.
- Information technology.
- Code of conduct.
- The role of a councillor as a local member.
- Public engagement.
- Equality and diversity training.

The guidance recommends that the Democratic Services Committee has overall responsibility for deciding what should be regarded as reasonable training and development opportunities as part of its function of providing support to members to carry out their functions.

Specialist training for members of the planning, licensing and audit committees is provided by the council.

4. REASONS:

The Standards Committee has asked to be provided with the up to date training records of the members.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no resource implications arising from the report.

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:

There are no significant equality impacts identified.

7. SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS:

NONE

8. CONSULTEES:

None

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Local Government Measure 2011 and statutory guidance.

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