



## Report of the Monitoring Officer

Standards Committee – 15 October 2021

### Code of Conduct Casebook

<b>Purpose:</b>	To update the Standards Committee on the Ombudsman's Code of Conduct Casebook
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<b>Access to Services Officer:</b>	N/A
<b>For Information</b>	

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 The Public Service Ombudsman for Wales has published one Code of Conduct Casebook as follows:

Issue 24 – April 2021 (January-December 2020). Attached at Appendix A.

#### 2. Integrated Assessment Implications

- 2.1 The Council is subject to the Equality Act (Public Sector Equality Duty and the socio-economic duty), the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure, and must in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:
- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Acts.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Deliver better outcomes for those people who experience socio-economic disadvantage
  - Consider opportunities for people to use the Welsh language
  - Treat the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

- Ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
- 2.2 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2005 mandates that public bodies in Wales must carry out sustainable development. Sustainable development means the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the ‘well-being goals’.
- 2.3 Our Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) process ensures we have paid due regard to the above. It also takes into account other key issues and priorities, such as poverty and social exclusion, community cohesion, carers, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and Welsh language.
- 2.4 There are no integrated assessment implications associated with this report.

### **3. Legal Implications**

- 3.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

### **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**Background Papers:** None

**Appendices:** Appendix A – Code of Conduct Casebook (Issue 24)