

Concise Minutes – Standards of Conduct Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Monday, 20 November
2023

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Meeting time: 09.31 – 10.19

Remote, Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Vikki Howells MS (Chair) Natasha Asghar MS John Griffiths MS Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Clerk) Bethan Garwood (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Standards of Conduct Committee.

1.2 There were no declarations of interest, and no substitutions. Peredur Owen Griffiths recused himself for the final item.



2 Cross-Party Groups Compliance Report

2.1 The Committee agreed to propose to the Llywydd that it should take over responsibility for sending reminder letters to Chairs on the rules for the operation of Cross-Party Groups.

2.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Chairs of the Cross-Party Groups who do not appear to have been active at all over the last year to confirm their situation and ask for outstanding paperwork.

2.3. The Committee agreed to write to the Chairs of groups who were registered late, to remind them of their duties as Chairs and to ask for outstanding paperwork.

2.4 The Committee agreed to write to the Chairs of groups who had been non-compliant for two years to advise them that non-compliance for a third year may result in deregistration.

2.5 The Committee agreed to write to all Chairs reminding them of the rules on the operation of CPGs as well as their responsibilities as CPG Chairs.

3 Dignity and respect

3.1 The Committee noted the letter from the Llywydd.

3.2 The Committee considered and agreed the list of potential witnesses for the inquiry, with some additions.

4 Revised lobbying guidance

4.1 The Committee agreed the revised guidance.

5 Consider a report from the Commissioner for Standards in accordance with Standing Order 22.2(i)

5.1 The Committee considered a report from the Commissioner for Standards in accordance with Standing Order 22.2(i).