

Questionnaire on Ethical Standards

The Council's Standards Committee are carrying out a further review of ethical standards within the authority and would welcome your views and feedback. This brief questionnaire is being circulated to all elected Members of the Council and to senior officers and managers. Your replies will be treated in the strictest confidence and will be reported back to Standards Committee on an anonymised basis.

The Committee believes that it is important to give Councillors and senior managers an opportunity to express their views and identify any areas for improvement or further training needs.

The completed questionnaires should be returned to Pamela Tasker, Governance Officer, via email: pamela.tasker@newport.gov.uk or democratic.services@newport.gov.uk by 26 September 2019.

Please could you indicate if you agree with the following statements?

1. The work of the Standards Committee has a positive effect on the work of the Council

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

2. I believe that the public perception of the Council is that it operates in a manner that meets ethical standards

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

3. The Council has clear policies and guidance on ethical standards

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

4. There is trust and mutual respect between officers and members of the Council

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

5. The differing roles between members and officers in the Council are clearly defined

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

6. The behaviour of elected members and officers displays an understanding of ethical standards

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

7. Interests of elected members are declared openly and available to the public

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

8. As an elected member it is easy for me to declare and register an interest

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

9. I know where to access the Councillor Code of Conduct

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

10. I would benefit from further training on the code of conduct

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

11. Please add any further comments you may wish to make

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