

## THE GWYNEDD STANDARD

This document explains the standard of conduct expected from Gwynedd Council's councillors in dealing with each other. It should be read in conjunction with the Members Code of Conduct and the Protocol Member-Officer Relations. It adds to those documents and not detract from them.

Gwynedd Council members are expected to :-

### Public behaviour:

- Show respect to each other
- Not to make personal abusive comments about each other.
- Not to publish anything insulting about each other.
- Not to make malicious allegations against each other.
- Not to publish or spread any false information about each other.
- Show respect to diversity and equality.

### Behaviour in committees:

- Behave with dignity in the Chamber.
- Show respect to the Chairman and obey his decisions.
- Not to use indecent language nor make racial remarks or remarks which prejudice any section of society.

### Confidentiality:

- Keep the confidentiality of exempt papers and any other documents which are not public.
- Not to release confidential information to the press or the public.
- Return confidential papers.
- Not to use confidential information for purposes other than intended.

### Local members

- Work with members of adjoining wards for the benefit of the locality.
- If dealing with any matter relating to another ward
  - Explain to anyone seeking assistance that he/she is not the local member
  - Inform the local member, unless it would lead to a breach of confidentiality