Committee :	STANDARDS COMMITTEE
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Title	The Register of Members' Interests
Author:	Monitoring Officer
Action:	To ask for eth Committee's views

## **Background**

- 1. Elected members and co-opted members with voting rights must inform the Monitoring Officer of their interests under the Code of Conduct. The Monitoring Officer must keep a register of these interests.
- 2. The register therefore contains the 'upfront' registration made by members when they become members (they must also keep this current). It also contains the declarations of interest made by members at meetings.
- 3. The register is kept in paper format and has always been available to anyone who wishes to come in to inspect it. The Council is now required to publish the Register of Members' Interests electronically, and it is therefore also available on the Council's website. Each member's declarations are available through accessing their personal pages on the website. The declarations made in meetings are to be found in the minutes of that meeting and these too can be viewed via the member's personal page. These pages can be viewed through the following link:

https://democracy.cyngor.gwynedd.gov.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?bcr=1

4. A copy of the current form to register interests 'up front' is attached to this report.

## Recommendation

5. The Committee is asked for its views on the process of registering interests and on the attached form.