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NOTICE OF DECISION

TRIBUNAL REFERENCE NUMBER: APW/006/2024-25/CT

RESPONDENT: Former Councillor Brian Rothero

RELEVANT AUTHORITY: Neyland Town Council

1. A Case Tribunal convened by the President of the Adjudication Panel for Wales has considered a reference in respect of the above Respondent.
2. The Adjudication Panel for Wales received a referral from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales in relation to allegations made against Former Councillor Rothero. The referral was made in relation to four complaints received about the conduct of the Respondent. A notification of the referral was sent to the Respondent on the 9 July 2025.
3. The allegations were that he had breached Neyland Town Council's Code of Conduct by treating and/or communicating with the Council's Clerk and fellow Councillors in a manner which was suggestive of breaches of the Code including the need to treat others with respect and consideration, to not bully or harass any person, to not make vexatious, malicious or frivolous complaints and to not conduct themselves in a manner which could reasonably be regarded as bringing their office or authority into disrepute.
4. The Case Tribunal determined its adjudication at a hearing which was convened by remote video technology on 12 February 2026. The Case Tribunal unanimously found that the Councillor had acted in breach of the Code as set out in paragraph 2 above.
5. The Case Tribunal concluded by unanimous decision that former Councillor Rothero should be disqualified from acting as a member for any relevant authority, as defined by section 49(6) of the Local Government Act 2000, for a period of 3 years.
6. The Authority and its Standards Committee are notified accordingly.

7. The Respondent has the right to seek the leave of the High Court to appeal the above decision.
8. The Case Tribunal made no recommendations to the Authority.

Signed:.....Meleri Tudur..... Date:.....12 February 2026.....

Judge Meleri Tudur
Chairperson of the Case Tribunal

Ms S Hurds
Panel Member

Mrs S McRobie
Panel Member