

Standards Committee

Date: Thursday, 18 March 2021 Time: 10.30 am Venue: Virtual Meeting - livestream link https://vimeo.com/514251484

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Membership of the Standards Committee

Councillors - Andrews, Evans, Kilpatrick, Lanchbury and A Simcock

Independent Co-opted Members: Nicolé Jackson and Mr G Linnell

Independent Person - Ms S Beswick and Mr A Eastwood

Agenda

1. Urgent Business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4.	Minutes To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2020.	5 - 6
5.	Standards Committee - Annual Report The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.	7 - 18
6.	Members' Update on Ethical Governance The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.	19 - 32
7.	Social Media Guidance for Members Update The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.	33 - 42
8.	Local Government Association (LGA) Model Code of Conduct for Members The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.	43 - 80
9.	Member Development and Training The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.	81 - 140
10.	Standards Committee Work Programme The report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit is enclosed.	141 - 148

Information about the Committee

The Standards Committee comprises five city councillors, one parish councillor and two independent members and is chaired by an independent member. The Committee deals with matters relating to the conduct of city and parish councillors and the promotion of ethical standards.

The Independent Persons are appointed by the Council to assist the Council in the consideration of any complaints made against councillors. They are not members of the Standards Committee but they are invited to attend the meeting if they wish to.

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