



Committee: STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Date: THURSDAY, 19 JANUARY 2017

Venue: LANCASTER TOWN HALL

Time: 6.10 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Appointment of Vice-Chairman

To appoint a Vice-Chairman for the duration of the 2016/17 municipal year.

In accordance with the Constitution, the Vice-Chairman must not be drawn from the same political group as the Chairman, who is a member of the Labour group.

3. Minutes

Minutes of meeting held on 21 January 2016 (previously circulated).

4. Items of Urgent Business authorised by the Chairman

5. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Members should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

6. Review of Arrangements for dealing with Allegations of a Breach of the Code of Conduct (Pages 1 - 3)

7. Exclusion of Press and Public

Whilst the following report is a public report, the appendix is exempt from publication by virtue of Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The

Committee is recommended to pass the following recommendation if it becomes necessary to refer to the exempt appendix.

"That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act."

Members are reminded that, whilst the following appendix has been marked as exempt, it is for Committee itself to decide whether or not to consider it in public. In making the decision, Members should consider the relevant paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and also whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. In considering their discretion Members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

8. Summary of Complaints (Pages 4 - 8)

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

(i) Membership

Councillors

Councillors Oscar Thynne (Chairman), Jon Barry, Colin Hartley, Roger Mace, Roger Sherlock, David Whitaker and Peter Yates

(ii) Substitute Membership

Councillors

Councillors Dave Brookes (Substitute), Tracy Brown (Substitute), Charlie Edwards (Substitute), Nigel Goodrich (Substitute) and Janice Hanson (Substitute)

(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Liz Bateson, Democratic Services - telephone 01524 582047, or email ebateson@lancaster.gov.uk.

(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

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