### **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

6.00 P.M.

**PRESENT:-** Councillors Joanna Young (Chair), Richard Austen-Baker (Substitute for Cllr Scothern) Phillip Black, Debbie Jenkins and Mandy King

### Apologies for Absence

Councillors Paul Anderton, Mel Guilding & Stewart Scothern

Officers in attendance:-

Luke GorstHead of Legal Services and Monitoring OfficerLiz BatesonPrincipal Democratic Support Officer, Democratic<br/>Services

## 1 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

The Chair requested nominations for the position of Vice-Chair for the 2021/22 municipal year.

It was proposed by Cllr Austen-Baker and seconded by Cllr Jenkins that Councillor King be appointed to the position, and there being no further nominations, the Chair declared the proposal to be carried.

### Resolved:

(1) That Councillor King be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee for the 2021/22 municipal year.

### 2 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

# 3 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR

There were no items of urgent business.

# 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## 5 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That, in accordance with Section 110A(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.

# 6 SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT

The Monitoring Officer presented a report, which advised the Committee about the progress of current complaints and any other code of conduct complaints received since the last report in January 2021. The Monitoring Officer responded to questions and the Chair confirmed that the report was for noting.

## Resolved:

(1) That the report be noted.

Chair

(The meeting ended at 6.06 p.m.)

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