



STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE:	Wednesday, 19 July 2023
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor Talbot (Chairman)
Councillor Wiggins (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Ferguson
Councillor J Henderson

Councillor Land
Councillor Newton
Councillor Oxley

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

The Committee is asked to note any apologies for absence and substitutions received from Members.

2 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee, held on Wednesday 15 March 2023.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests of Non-Registerable Interests, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

4 Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38

Subject to providing two working days' notice, a Member of the Committee may ask the Chairman of the Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Tendring District **and** which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

5 Report of the Monitoring Officer - A.1 - Introduction to the Standards Framework and Terms of Reference of the Standards Committee & Update on Member Induction and Code of Conduct Training (Pages 7 - 22)

To enable the new membership of the Standards Committee to familiarise themselves with the Council's Standards Framework and to be introduced to the Committee's work plan for the 2023/24 Municipal Year.

6 Report of the Monitoring Officer - A.2 - Members' Planning Code & Protocol (Pages 23 - 88)

To consider whether a wider review of the Council's Members' Planning Code & Protocol adopted in 2015 and updated in 2021, should be undertaken following the request by Cabinet and Council to give further guidance to site visit procedures, reflecting upon whether a revised approach should be taken to produce an easier to understand document.

7 Report of Head of Democratic Services & Elections - A.3 - Town & Parish Councils' Standards Sub-Committee - Appointment of Tendring District Council Members (Pages 89 - 90)

To enable the Committee to appoint Tendring District Council's members to serve on the Town and Parish Councils' Standards Sub-Committee for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.

8 Quarterly Complaints Update and other general matters (Pages 91 - 92)

The Committee will receive the Monitoring Officer's quarterly update regarding standards complaints together with an update on other pertinent matters.

Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Standards Committee is to be held in the Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 11 October 2023.

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