

Committee: The Standards Committee

Date: Wednesday 31 January 2024

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor George Reynolds Councillor Lynn Pratt (Vice-Chairman)

(Chairman)

Councillor Sandy Dallimore Councillor Harry Knight
Councillor Julian Nedelcu Councillor Lynne Parsons
Councillor Dorothy Walker Councillor Amanda Watkins

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

4. **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 12)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 17 March 2022, 18 May 2022 and 23 May 2023.

5. Chairman's Announcments

To receive communications from the Chairman.

6. Arrangements for Dealing with Complaints of Alleged Breaches of the Councillors' Code (Pages 13 - 30)

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Purpose of report

To enable the Committee to note the arrangements for dealing with complaints of alleged breaches of the Councillors' Code of under delegated authority.

Recommendations

 Note the arrangements for dealing with complaints of alleged breaches of the Councillors Code of Conduct at Appendix 1.

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Declarations of Interest

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Shiraz Sheikh Monitoring Officer

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