

AGENDA

Meeting: Standards Committee

Place: Kennet Room - County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024

Time: 10.30 am

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Part I

Items to be considered when the meeting is open to the public

1 **Apologies and Membership**

To note any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

To note any updates to Committee Membership.

2 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2 July 2024.

3 **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee or Monitoring Officer.

4 **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive any announcements through the Chair.

5 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

Statements

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item. Please contact the officer named on the front of the agenda for any further clarification.

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Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

- 6 **Status Report on Code of Conduct Complaints** (*Pages 9 - 14*)
To note the Status Report on the current position on Code of Conduct Complaints.
- 7 **Complaints Procedure** (*Pages 15 - 44*)
To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer.
- 8 **Whistleblowing Policy** (*Pages 45 - 78*)
To note and provide any comment on the redrafted Wiltshire Council Whistleblowing Policy.
- 9 **Constitutional Changes** (*Pages 79 - 102*)
The Committee considered the recommendations of the Constitution Focus Group.
- 10 **Wiltshire Council Annual Complaints Report 2023-24** (*Pages 103 - 144*)
To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer.
- 11 **Urgent Items**
Any other items of business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be taken as a matter of urgency.

Part II

Item(s) during consideration of which it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed