

# AGENDA

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**Meeting:** Standards Committee

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

**Date:** Wednesday 23 January 2019

**Time:** 2.00 pm

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| Cllr Allison Bucknell                | Cllr Fred Westmoreland           |
| Cllr Ernie Clark                     | Cllr Stuart Wheeler              |
| Cllr Peter Evans                     | Mr Richard Baxter (non-voting)   |
| Cllr Peter Fuller                    | Mr Philip Gill MBE (non-voting)  |
| Cllr Howard Greenman (Vice-Chairman) | Mr Michael Lockhart (non-voting) |
| Cllr Ruth Hopkinson                  | Miss Pam Turner (non-voting)     |
| Cllr Bob Jones MBE                   |                                  |

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## Substitutes:

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| Cllr Richard Britton | Cllr Peter Hutton  |
| Cllr Trevor Carbin   | Cllr George Jeans  |
| Cllr Sue Evans       | Cllr Gordon King   |
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## Part I

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

1 **Apologies for Absence**

To note any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

2 **Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2018.

3 **Declarations of Interest**

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

4 **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive any announcements through the Chair.

5 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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6 **Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO) Complaint - Update on action taken by the Council** (Pages 11 - 14)

To receive a further update on the council's response to the findings of the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman.

7 **Status Report on Code of Conduct Complaints** (Pages 15 - 20)

To receive an update from the Monitoring Officer.

8 **Code of Conduct Complaints Comparison Case Study** (Pages 21 - 28)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer.

9 **Recommendations of the Constitution Focus Group** (Pages 29 - 46)

To consider proposed changes to the Constitution.

10 **Urgent Items**

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider 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*