

AGENDA

Meeting: Standards Committee

Place: Council Chamber - County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14

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Date: Thursday 14 November 2019

Time: 12.00 pm

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Cllr Peter Evans

Cllr Peter Fuller

Cllr Howard Greenman (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr Ruth Hopkinson

Mr Richard Baxter (non-voting)

Mr Philip Gill MBE (non-voting)

Mr Michael Lockhart (non-voting)

Miss Pam Turner (non-voting)

Cllr Bob Jones MBE

Substitutes:

Cllr Richard Britton
Cllr Trevor Carbin
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Part I

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

1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

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

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26 June 2019.

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.

Statements

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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 11 - 14)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer on Code of Conduct complaints.

7 Recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group: Protocol 4 (Planning Code of Good Practice) (Pages 15 - 72)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer on recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group on proposed changes to Protocol 4 of the Constitution (Planning Code of Good Practice).

Recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group: Part 4A (Petitions Scheme) (Pages 73 - 96)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer on recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group on proposed changes to Part 4A of the Constitution (Petitions Scheme).

9 New Standards Procedures and Appointment of Standards Assessment Sub-Committee (Pages 97 - 124)

Following changes to Protocol 11 of the Constitution by Full Council on 9 July 2019, to appoint the members of the Standards Assessment Sub-Committee with effect from 1 January 2020.

To consider any additional details regarding the revised Standards arrangements and procedures approved by Full Council on 9 July 2019.

10 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next scheduled meeting as 29 January 2020.

11 Urgent Items

Any other items 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