

AGENDA

Meeting: Standards Committee
Place: Kennet Room - County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN
Date: Friday 25 April 2014
Time: 2.00 pm

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Cllr Rosemary Brown	Cllr George Jeans
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Cllr Mary Douglas	Cllr Pip Ridout
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Cllr Russell Hawker	Cllr Roy While
Cllr Chris Hurst	

Non-Elected Non-Voting Members:

Mr Philip Gill MBE JP
Mr Paul Neale
Mr John Scragg
Miss Pam Turner

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 of the Previous Meeting** *(Pages 1 - 4)*

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held 20 January 2014.

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 and Questions**

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.

Questions

To receive any questions from members of the public or members of the Council received in accordance with the constitution. Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the front of the agenda no later than 5pm on 16 April 2014. Please contact the officer named on the front of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

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 **Recommendations and Update from the Constitution Focus Group** (Pages 5 - 186)

To consider the recommendations of the Constitution Focus Group regarding Part 4 of the Constitution in relation to the Petition Scheme, Part 9 of the Constitution - Financial Regulations and Procedure Rules and Part 12.1 of the Constitution in relation to the Safeguarding Children and Young People Panel.

Attached are the reports on proposed changes to Part 4 and Part 9 of the Constitution, and the tracked changes of Part 4, Part 9 and Part 12.1, as presented to the Constitution Focus Group. Comment and Recommendations from the Focus Group meeting on 15 April will follow.

Also attached is Part 3 of the Constitution – Responsibility for Functions – with currently proposed tracked changes, subject to additional amendments following comments from the Focus Group for consideration.

Part 4 (Pages 5 – 14)
Part 9 (Pages 15 – 112)
Part 12.1 (Pages 113 – 118)
Part 3 (Pages 119 – 186)

7 **Review of Whistleblowing Complaints Procedure** (Pages 187 - 188)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer.

8 **Update on Review of the Effectiveness of Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure**

To receive a update from the Monitoring Officer on the Review of the Effectiveness of Code of conduct Complaints Procedure.

9 **Forward Plan** (Pages 189 - 190)

To note the Forward Work Plan of the Committee.

10 **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

None