

# AGENDA

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**Meeting:** Standards Committee

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

**Date:** Wednesday 15 June 2022

**Time:** 2.00 pm

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## Part 1

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

1 **Apologies for Absence**

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

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2022

3 **Declarations of Interest**

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

4 **Chairman's Announcements**

5 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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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 note the Status Report on the current position on Code of Conduct Complaints

7 **Positive Conduct Campaign**

An update will be provided on a Wiltshire Council campaign to promote positive

democracy and councillor conduct across the county. This will include a webinar on 7 July 2022 providing useful hints and tips on promoting standards in public life and running positive local council meetings.

8 **LGA Model Code of Conduct Working Group Update** (*Pages 15 - 38*)

At the last meeting, the Standards Committee considered the attached report and resolved to seek comments from the Constitution Focus Group and Group Leaders on the proposed new Code of Conduct.

To receive the feedback and consider the original report.

9 **Constitutional Changes** (*Pages 39 - 46*)

The Committee considered the recommendations of the Constitution Focus Group in relation to Part 3B of the Constitution, to adopt changes in respect of the Channel Panel.

10 **Urgent Items**

**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*