Wiltshire Council

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AGENDA

Meeting:	Standards Committee
Place:	Salisbury Room - County Hall, Trowbridge
Date:	Monday 20 January 2014
Time:	<u>2.00 pm</u>

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Non-Elected Non-Voting Members:

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

<u>Part 1</u>

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

1 Membership Changes

To note any changes to membership of the Committee

2 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2013.

4 Declarations of Interest

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

5 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements through the Chair.

6 **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 Monday 13 January 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.

7 Status Report on Complaints (Pages 7 - 8)

The Monitoring Officer will report the current status of Complaints under the Code of Conduct at the meeting.

8 **Recommendations from the Constitution Focus Group** (*Pages 9 - 26*)

To consider the recommendations of the Constitution Focus Group regarding Part 5 of the Constitution - Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Attached are the Minutes from the Focus Group Meeting on 8 January 2014, the Report on the Changes to the Constitution and a Revised Part 5 with Tracked Changes.

9 Forward Plan (Pages 27 - 28)

To make any additions or comment to the Forward Work Plan.

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