

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, 25 November 2025
Time: 6.00pm
Location: Council Chamber
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Members:

Councillors: Jackie Hollywell (Chair), Myla Arceno, Phil Bibby, Rob Broom, Dermot Kehoe, Loraine Rossati, Jade Woods and Tom Wren

AGENDA

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES - STANDARDS 21 NOVEMBER 2022

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee 21 November 2022.

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3. STANDARDS UPDATE - REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

To receive a report providing overview of the complaints under the Stevenage Borough Council's Code of Conduct for Members ("the Code") received by the Monitoring Officer to date, to review the arrangements in place for Member Code of Conduct complaints handling and to update members of the Government's response to the consultation in relation to Strengthening the Standards and Conduct Framework for Local Authorities.

Appendix A – Standards Arrangements and Complaints Handling Procedure (Attached)

Appendix B – Consultation Response - <u>Strengthening the standards and conduct framework for local authorities in England – consultation results and government response - GOV.UK</u>

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4. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

To consider any Part 1 business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

5. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

To consider the following motions -

- 1. That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs1 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.
- 2. That Members consider the reasons for the following reports being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

6. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

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