

## ***STANDARDS COMMITTEE***

### ***Agenda***

Date Monday 22 October 2018

Time 5.30 pm

Venue Lees Suite, Civic Centre, Oldham, West Street, Oldham, OL1 1NL

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2. CONTACT OFFICER for this agenda is Lori Hughes Tel. 0161 770 5151 or email [lori.hughes@oldham.gov.uk](mailto:lori.hughes@oldham.gov.uk)

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#### **MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Councillors Chauhan (Chair), Williams, Williamson, Byrne and Leach

Independent Members: Bourne, Feay, Khoosar, Matthews, Parkin

Parish Councillors Knotts (Saddleworth Parish Council) and Dodd (Shaw and Crompton Parish Council)

#### Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

3       Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.

4       Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

5       Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 2)

The Minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018 are attached for approval.

6       Exclusion of the Press and Public

That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) 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 contain exempt information under paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

7       Application for Dispensation (Pages 3 - 4)



**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**21/06/2018 at 4.00 pm**

**Present:** Councillor Chauhan (Chair)  
Councillors Taylor, Williams and Williamson

Independent Members: Bourne and Koosar

Parish Councillors: Knotts (Saddleworth Parish Council) and  
Dodd (Shaw and Crompton Parish Council)

Also in Attendance:  
Colin Brittain                      Assistant Borough Solicitor  
Lori Hughes                         Constitutional Services

1            **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hudson,  
Mr. Bamber and Mr. Parkin.

2            **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3            **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Chauhan declared a personal and prejudicial interest.  
Councillor Chauhan left the room and took no part in the  
discussion or vote thereon.

Due to the absence of the Chair, Members were asked to  
nominate a Chair for the duration of the meeting.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Williams be elected Chair for the  
duration of the meeting.

4            **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5            **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) 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 contain exempt information under paragraph 1  
of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on  
balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

6            **STANDARDS COMPLAINT LOCAL RESOLUTION**

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Borough Solicitor which informed members of the outcome of a local resolution which had been reached.

**RESOLVED** that the matter, as detailed in the report, be referred to a Standards Hearing.

**NOTE:** Councillor Chauhan had declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item. Councillor Chauhan left the room and took no part in the discussion or vote thereon.

The meeting started at 4.00 pm and ended at 4.45 pm

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A  
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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