

STANDARDS ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE
13/03/2019 at 4.30 pm



Present: Councillors Byrne and Williams

Independent Members: Ghazala Koosar

Also in Attendance:

Paul Entwistle

Director of Legal Services

Lori Hughes

Constitutional Services

1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

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

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

4 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 paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

5 CONSIDERATION OF STANDARDS COMPLAINT

Consideration was given to an update of the Director of Legal Services which had required assessment of a complaint related to a Councillor which said that the Councillor's Code of Conduct had been breached. The Director of Legal Services set out the complaint and the criteria to be used by the Sub-Committee for deciding whether the complaint should be accepted for investigation, dealt with informally or rejected.

Members had previously given consideration to the complaint but had requested further information before the matter was considered further. Members were provided an update on the information that had been requested.

RESOLVED that further information be requested and to be provided within 30 days from the date of notification. If the information was not provided in that timeframe the matter would not be taken further.

The meeting started at 4.30 pm and ended at 4.44 pm