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# STANDARDS COMMITTEE Regulatory Committee Agenda

Date Thursday 22 April 2021

Time 6.00 pm

Venue <a href="https://www.oldham.gov.uk/livemeetings">https://www.oldham.gov.uk/livemeetings</a>. The meeting will be streamed

live as a virtual meeting.

Notes 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST- If a Member requires any advice on

any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote he/she is advised to contact Paul

Entwistle or Constitutional Services in advance of the meeting.

2. CONTACT OFFICER for this Agenda is Constitutional Services email

constitutional.services@oldham.gov.uk

3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS – Any member of the public wishing to ask a question at the above meeting can do so only if a written copy of the question is submitted to the Contact officer by 12 Noon on Monday, 19 April 2021.

4.FILMING – This meeting will be recorded for live and/or subsequent broadcast on the Council's website. The whole of the meeting will be recorded, except where there are confidential or exempt items and the footage will be on our website. This activity promotes democratic engagement in accordance with section 100A(9) of the Local Government Act 1972. The cameras will focus on the proceedings of the meeting. As far as possible, this will avoid areas specifically designated for members of the public who prefer not to be filmed. Disruptive and anti social behaviour will always be filmed.

Recording and reporting the Council's meetings is subject to the law including the law of defamation, the Human Rights Act, the Data Protection Act and the law on public order offences.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS: Councillors Williamson, Briggs, Harrison, Williams (Chair) and Byrne (Substitute)

Independent Members: Feay, Khoosar, Matthews, Williams
Parish Councillors Beeley (Saddleworth Parish Council) and Moore (Shaw and Crompton Parish Council)

#### Item No



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 meeting of the Standards Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 are attached for approval.

6 Consideration of the LGA Model Code

Report to follow.



# STANDARDS COMMITTEE 22/10/2018 at 5.30 pm

Present: Councillor Chauhan (Chair)

Councillors Williams, Williamson, Byrne and Leach

Independent Members: Bourne, Feay, Koosar and

Matthews

Parish Councillors: Dodd (Shaw and Crompton Parish

Council)

Also in Attendance:

Paul Entwistle Director of Legal Services
Lori Hughes Constitutional Services

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillor Knotts and David Parkin.

#### 2 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received.

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

#### 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no public questions received.

#### 5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018 be approved as a correct record.

### 6 **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.

#### 7 APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION

Consideration was given to a confidential report of the Director of Legal Services which outlined an application for dispensation.



Members were informed of the powers of the Standards Committee under the Localism Act and Council's Constitution. Members sought and received clarification on precedence.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the application for dispensation be approved with the condition if there was a change in role that the matter would be referred back to the Standards Committee.

**RESOLVED** that the application for dispensation be approved with the condition that if there was a change in role the dispensation would be referred back to the Standards Committee for consideration.

**NOTE:** Councillor Williamson left during discussion of this item.

The meeting started at 5.30 pm and ended at 5.52 pm