



Agenda

Meeting Standards and Governance Committee

Venue: Meeting Room 3, County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AD

Date: Friday, 15 March 2024

Time: 10.00 am

Councillors: Nick Brown, Sam Cross, Melanie Davis,

Clive Pearson (Chairman), Heather Phillips, Monika Slater,

David Ireton, Nigel Knapton, Andy Solloway and Peter Wilkinson.

Independent Persons for Standards: Gillian Baker, Hilary Gilbertson,

Louise Holroyd, Roy Martin, James Nelson and Richinda Taylor

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Please note: This agenda was updated on Tuesday 12 March to include the covering report and Appendix 1 for item 10 – Code of Conduct Complaints.

Business

- 1. Welcome, introductions and apologies**
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th December 2023 and the Special Meeting held on 17th January 2024** (Pages 3 - 14)
- 3. Declarations of Interest**

4. Public Questions or Statements

Members of the public may ask questions or make statements at this meeting if they have given notice (including the text of the question/statement) to Steve Loach of Democratic Services (contact details at the foot of page 1 of the agenda sheet) by midday on Tuesday 12th March 2024. Each speaker should limit themselves to 3 minutes on any item. Members of the public who have given notice will be invited to speak:-

at this point in the meeting if their questions/statements relate to matters which are not otherwise on the Agenda (subject to an overall time limit of 30 minutes); or

when the relevant Agenda item is being considered if they wish to speak on a matter which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

5. Feedback from Independent Persons re external training attended - Independent Persons for Standards

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| 6. Local Ethical Framework - Report of the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 15 - 18) |
| 7. Annual Report of the Standards and Governance Committee - Report of the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 19 - 26) |
| 8. Review of Standards Complaints' Process - Report of the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 27 - 50) |
| 9. Protocol for relationship between Code of Conduct complaints and local authority grievance procedures - Report of the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 51 - 54) |
| 10. Code of Conduct Complaints - Statistics and Themes – Report and Presentation by the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 55 - 76) |
| 11. Temporary appointments to Kirby Grindalythe and Duggleby Parish Council - Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) | (Pages 77 - 82) |
| 12. Community Governance Review of Dishforth Parish Council - Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) | (Pages 83 - 86) |
| 13. Standards Bulletin - Report of the Monitoring Officer | (Pages 87 - 96) |
| 14. Standards and Governance Committee Work Programme - Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) | (Pages 97 - 102) |
| 15. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency | |

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7th March 2024