

Tuesday 14 February 2023

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STANDARDS SUB-COMMITTEE

You are summoned to a meeting of the Standards Sub-Committee which will be held in the Council Chamber, Woodgreen, Witney OX28 1NB on **Wednesday, 22 February 2023 at 2.00 pm.**



Giles Hughes
Chief Executive

To: Members of the Standards Sub-Committee

Councillors: Luci Ashbourne (Chair), Elizabeth Poskitt (Vice-Chair), Andrew Beaney, Andy Graham and Norman MacRae MBE

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AGENDA

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 3 - 4)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2022.
2. **Apologies for Absence**
Councillor Luci Ashbourne sends her apologies.
3. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive any declarations from Members of the Committee on any items to be considered at the meeting.
4. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**
If the Sub-Committee wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Sub-Committee to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The Sub-Committee may maintain the exemption if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
5. **Determination of Allegation of Breach of the West Oxfordshire District Council Code of Conduct by West Oxfordshire District Councillor (Pages 5 - 56)**
Purpose:
The purpose of the report is to provide the Standards Sub-Committee with the evidence to enable them to determine the allegation that a West Oxfordshire District Councillor, has breached the West Oxfordshire District Council Code of Conduct for Members.

Recommendation:
Members of the Standards Sub-Committee are recommended to follow the Standards Sub-Committee Procedure Rules approved for use at this meeting, consider all evidence before them, and:
 - a) Determine whether West Oxfordshire District Councillor, has breached the code of conduct; and
 - b) If the Sub-Committee determine a breach of the Code, to consider and determine any sanctions that should be imposed upon the Councillor and any other appropriate action to be taken.

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