

Agenda Ethical Standards and Member Development Committee

Friday 12th March at 9:30am

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Ethical Standards and Member Development Committee

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- 1 **Apologies for Absence** To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2 Members to declare any interests in matters to be discussed at the meeting

To receive any declarations of interest from members relating to any item on the agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct and/or S106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.



3 Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2020 as a correct record.

4 Urgent Item of Business

To determine whether there are any additional items of business arising which should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

5 Review of Member Code of Conduct, the Arrangements for Dealing with Complaints under the Code and associated member policy/protocols

To consider the revised Member Code of Conduct, Arrangements for Dealing with Complaints under the Code and associated documents.

6 Annual Report of the Ethical Standards and Member Development Committee 2019-21

To consider the draft annual report of the Committee.

7 Update on the progress, advised launch and rollout of the new MyCouncillor Member Portal

To receive an update on the member portal and consider rollout.

8 **Gifts and Hospitality**.

Standing item to consider the gifts and hospitality register.

9 National Cases

Standing item to consider national cases in relation to Member Code of Conduct.

10 Complaints Update.

Standing item to consider the update on complaints.

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Distribution

Councillors Ahmed (Vice Chair), Bostan, Dhallu, Hevican, P Hughes, Horton, Mabena and Simms.

Mr John Tew and Mr Richard Phillips [Independent Persons].

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