



Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Shirehall
Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
SY2 6ND

Date: 12th November 2015
My Ref:
Your Ref:

Committee:
Standards Sub-Committee

Date: Friday, 20 November 2015
Time: 9.30 am
Venue: Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury,
Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Standards Sub-Committee:

David Evans
Chris Mellings
Kevin Turley

Your Committee Officer is:

Sarah Townsend

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AGENDA

1 Election of Chairman

To elect a Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

2 Apologies for Absence

3 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

4 Minutes (Pages 1 - 2)

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 30th July 2015 attached, marked 4.

Contact: Sarah Townsend (01743 257721)

5 Applications for Dispensation

Report of the Monitoring Officer is to follow.

Contact: Claire Porter (01743 252763)

6 Exclusion of Public and Press

To resolve that in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and paragraph 10.4(1) of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following item.

7 Code of Conduct Complaint (Pages 3 - 134)

To consider an exempt report.

Report of the Monitoring Officer is attached, marked 7.

Contact: Claire Porter (01743 252763)

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MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2015 2.00 - 2.21 PM

Responsible Officer: Sarah Townsend
Email: sarah.townsend@shropshire.gov.uk Tel: 01743 257721

Present

Councillors Jean Jones, Chris Mellings and Stuart West

7 Election of Chairman

RESOLVED:

That Stuart West be appointed Chairman of the Standards Sub-Committee for the duration of the meeting.

8 Apologies for Absence

None received.

9 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members of the Committee were reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

10 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Standards Sub-Committee held on 25th March 2015 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

11 Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED:

That in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and paragraph 10.4(1) of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following agenda item.

12 Code of Conduct Complaint

Consideration was given to an exempt report of the Monitoring Officer (Agenda Item 6) in relation to an allegation that a Shropshire Councillor had failed to comply with the Code of Conduct of Shropshire Council.

Further information that had been received in relation to the allegation was circulated and the Solicitor presented the report to the Sub-Committee providing information in relation to the complaint and outlined the options available to the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee Members had regard to the representations made by the Councillor in response to the allegation but considered that based on all of the information and evidence before them, there were several anomalies that needed further investigation.

RESOLVED:

That the complaint be referred to the Monitoring Officer for investigation.

Signed (Chairman)

Date:

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of the Local Government Act 1972.

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