

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

14th November 2018

Present: Councillor Hodges in the Chair

Councillors Jones (Vice-Chairman), Lamb,
Roberts, G. Squires and Stanley

Also in Attendance:

Mrs D. Merriman, Warndon Parish Council
Mr R. Needham JP, Co-opted Member

Officers: Maria Memoli, Interim Deputy Director –
Governance and Interim Monitoring
Officer

Apologies: Mr R. Knight, St. Peter's Parish Council and
Mrs V. Barrall, Warndon Parish Council

11 Appointment of Substitutes

None.

12 Declarations of Interest

None.

13 Public Participation

None.

14 Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 5th September 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

15 Complaints Made Under the Members' Code of Conduct

The Committee were advised by the Chairman that two complaints had been received since the publication of the agenda. In accordance with the Complaints Procedure these would be initially considered by the Interim Monitoring Officer and an Independent Person.

RESOLVED: That the Committee note the report.

16 Registers of Members' and Officers' Gifts and Hospitality and Register of Interests

The Committee were given the opportunity to review the registers of Members' and Officers' gifts and hospitality and register of interests.

17 Any Other Business

None.

18 Item Involving the Disclosure of Exempt Information

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act.

19 Reports of the Local Government Ombudsman

The Committee were advised of an upheld complaint by the Local Government Ombudsman. The Interim Monitoring Officer advised that the final decision statement had not yet been published by the Ombudsman on their website. The Ombudsman had therefore requested that the report be considered by the Committee in private.

The Interim Monitoring Officer explained that the Ombudsman found that whilst there had been maladministration, no injustice occurred as a result.

The Committee noted the content of the report and the Ombudsman's final decision statement.

Duration of the meeting: 7.00p.m. – 7.08p.m.

Chairman at the meeting on
13th March 2019