

Minutes

Standards Committee
Monday, 5 March 2018
Meeting held at Committee Room 2 - Civic Centre,
High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW



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Members Present: Councillors Riley (Chairman), Denys (Vice-Chairman) and Bridges

Officers Present: Messrs Alagh and White

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Corthorne for whom Councillor Bridges was substituting.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 6 March and 11 May 2017 be approved as a correct record.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. CONFIRMATION THAT ALL ITEMS MARKED PART I WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PUBLIC AND THOSE MARKED PART II, IN PRIVATE

It was confirmed that all items marked as Part I would be considered in public and those marked Part II, in private.

5. STANDARDS AND ETHICS INDICATORS 2017

The Committee gave consideration to the annual report detailing a range of standards and ethics indicators for the authority for the previous 12 months.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

6. CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING FOR MEMBERS 2018

The Committee gave consideration to the proposed training to be given to all new Members, and as a refresher to existing Members, immediately after the elections on May 3rd 2018. The Committee were happy that the training covered all the essential elements regarding the Code of Conduct and the ethical standards expected of Members of the Council.

RESOLVED: That the training be noted.

7. COMPLAINTS MONITORING

This item was considered in Part II as it contained confidential information as defined in the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

The Committee noted the number and content of complaints made against elected Members in the previous four years. Members were pleased to note that the amount of complaints was very low and that almost all of them had been administered effectively through the Whips' Protocol process.

The meeting, which began at 7pm, ended at 7.18pm.