Conference Room, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks

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# **Standards Committee**

# Membership:

Chairman, Cllr. Gaywood; Vice-Chairman, Cllr. Ball Cllrs. Bosley, Clark, McGarvey, McGregor and Mrs. Morris

# Agenda

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Apologies for Absence		Pages	Contact
1.	Minutes To agree the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 1 May 2018, as a correct record.	(Pages 1 - 2)	
2.	Declarations of interest Any interests not already registered		
3.	Sevenoaks District Council Standards	(Pages 3 - 4)	

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#### **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

#### Minutes of the meeting held on 1 May 2018 commencing at 7.45 pm

Present: Cllr. Gaywood (Chairman)

Cllr. Ball (Vice Chairman)

Cllrs. Bosley, McGregor, Mrs. Morris, McGarvey and Clark

Cllrs. Mrs. Bosley, Dr. Canet, Firth, Pett and Miss. Stack were also present.

## 8. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Standards Committee held on 15 January 2018 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

## 9. Declarations of interest

There were no additional declarations of interest.

# 10. <u>Arrangements for dealing with Code of Conduct complaints.</u>

At the last meeting for the Committee it was resolved that there should be additional meeting before Annual Council to consider amending the arrangements for Standards Complaints. A group of Members had met since that meeting to consider the issue.

A Member advised that the Committee on Standards in Public Life was undertaking a review of local government ethical standards, and inviting responses to its consultation to inform its review of local government ethical standards. The consultation was due to close at 5pm on 18 May 2018. As no other Members or Officers had seen this consultation it was agreed to circulate it after the meeting for anyone wishing to respond.

It was agreed that despite this consultation any amendments could still be looked at and a report to another meeting before the next Governance Committee, as Governance Committee would have to consider any constitutional changes, was required.

#### Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That

# Agenda Item 1

# Standards Committee - 1 May 2018

- a) the report be noted; and
- b) a Member report be submitted to an additional meeting in June 2018, before the next meeting of Governance Committee in order that any recommendations could be referred.

# THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 8.16 PM

**CHAIRMAN** 

#### SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL STANDARDS

Standards - 11 June 2018

#### Introduction and Background

- Following the Standards Committee on 1 May 2018 which considered amending the arrangements for Standards Complaints at Sevenoaks District Council it was resolved that a Member report be "submitted to an additional meeting in June 2018, before the next meeting of Governance Committee in order that any recommendations could be referred."
- 2 A verbal update from Members will be given at the meeting.

