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#### **Standards**

A meeting of the Standards will be held in on the Thursday, 31st January, 2019 at 6.00 pm and you are requested to attend.

Members: Councillors Dillon (Vice-Chair), English (Chairman), Blampied, Edwards,

Mrs Rapnik, Dr Walsh and Wheal

# <u>AGENDA</u>

# 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and Officers are invited to make any declarations of pecuniary, personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on this agenda, and are reminded that they should re-declare their interest before consideration of the item or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.

Members and Officers should make their declaration by stating:

- a) The item that they have in the interest in
- b) Whether it is a pecuniary, personal and/or prejudicial interest
- c) The nature of the interest

#### 3. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2018, which are <u>attached</u>.

- 4. ITEMS ON THE AGENDA THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES
- 5. <u>ASSESSMENT PANEL DECISION ALLEGATION</u> (Pages 1 26) AGAINST A BONGOR REGIS TOWN COUNCILLOR

This report advised the Committee of the outcome of the Assessment Panel's investigation into allegations received against Councillor Damien Enticott, a Bognor Regis Town Councillor.

6. REVIEW OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE (Pages 27 - 46)

A revised Local Assessment Procedure was adopted by the Council on 8 November 2017 and it was agreed that a review would be undertaken following a year of operation. This report therefore considers how the Procedure has worked in practice, proposes some minor amendments for clarity, and seeks the views of the Committee on any other changes to be put forward.

7. <u>RECRUITMENT OF ADDITIONAL INDEPENDENT</u> (Pages 47 - 50) PERSONS TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

As requested by the Committee at its last meeting on 21 June 2018, this report seeks further views from Members on the approach to recruiting additional Independent persons and presents options for a way forward.

8. <u>REGISTER OF ASSESSMENTS OF COMPLAINTS</u> (Pages 51 - 62) AGAINST COUNCILLORS

This report updates the Committee on the complaints against Councillors received over the past two years.

Note: \*Indicates report is attached for all Members of the Council only and the press (excluding exempt items). Copies of reports can be obtained on request from the Committee Manager).

Note: Members are reminded that if they have any detailed questions would they please inform the Chairman and/or relevant Director in advance of the meeting.