BOROUGH OF REIGATE AND BANSTEAD

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Standards Committee held remotely on 11 June 2020 at 7.00 pm.

Present: Councillors N. D. Harrison, S. J. G. Rickman, C. M. Neame, R. Michalowski, S. McKenna, M Lodge (Co-Opted Member) and D. Powell (Co-Opted Member).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

2. ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Councillor Simon Rickman be appointed as Chairman for the municipal year 2020/21.

3. ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Councillor Nick Harrison be appointed as Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2020/21.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 6 June 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

5. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

Members made reference to a recent meeting of an assessment panel and asked the Head of Legal and Governance if information in relation to the panel could be made available to the Committee. The Head of Legal and Governance confirmed that an annual report would be forthcoming from the Monitoring Officer and made available for consideration by the Committee at a future meeting.

Members also noted the minute from the meeting held on 6 June 2019 in relation to the improvement of the transparency of those complaints not brought to Standards, a review of the Code of Conduct and the terms of reference for the Standards Committee.

RESOLVED that:

- i) The Committee note that a review of the Code of Conduct had been undertaken by the Governance Task Group in 2019/20
- ii) The Committee review its terms of reference, methods of improving transparency of complaints not brought to the Committee, and the operating processes of the Committee.