

# Agenda

## Standards Committee

Tuesday, 6 June 2023 at 7.30 pm

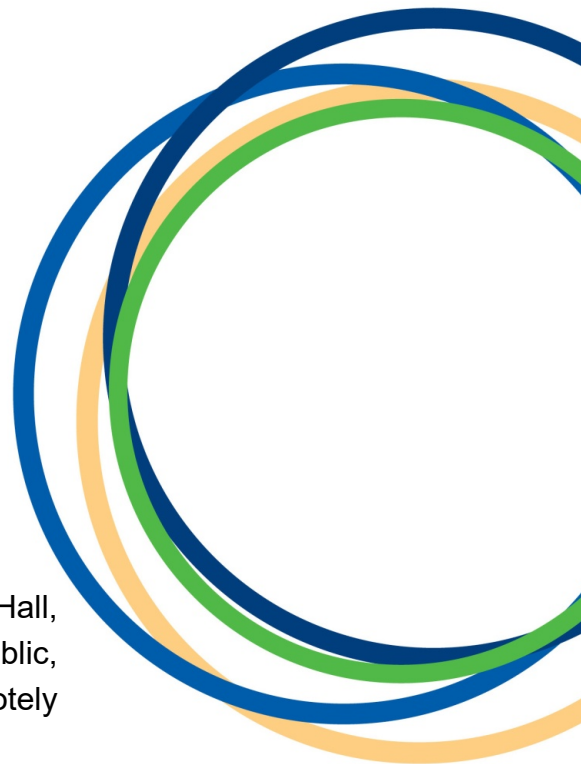
New Council Chamber, Town Hall, Reigate



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### Members:

J. Dwight

J. C. S. Essex

P. Harp

J. Hudson

S. A. Kulka

C. Hughes (*Co-opted Member for Horley Town Council*)

M. Lodge (*Co-opted Member for Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council*)

### Substitutes:

**Conservatives:** F. Kelly

**Residents Group:** G. Hinton

**Green Party:** R. Ritter

**Liberal Democrats** M. Elbourne

**Mari Roberts-Wood**  
Managing Director

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**1. Apologies for absence**

To receive any apologies for absence.

**2. Election of the Chair of the Committee**

To appoint a Chair for the Municipal Year 2023-24.

**3. Election of the Vice-Chair of the Committee**

To appoint a Vice-Chair for Municipal Year 2023-24.

**4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 8 November 2022.

**5. Declarations of interest**

To receive any declarations of interest.

**6. Urgent business**

To consider any item(s) which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered as a matter of urgency – Local Government Act 1972, Section 100B (4) (b).



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## Minutes of a meeting of the **Standards Committee** held at the **New Council Chamber - Town Hall, Reigate** on **Tuesday, 8 November 2022 at 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Councillors N. C. Moses (Chair); P. Harp (Vice-Chair), R. Absalom, Z. Cooper and R. Ritter

**Attended remotely:** Councillors Lodge (Co-Opted Member)

### **9 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor David Powell, the Representative for Horley Town Council and from Joyce Hamilton, the Monitoring Officer.

### **10 Minutes of the previous meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 7 June 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **11 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **12 Member Complaints 2021-22**

The Democratic and Electoral Services Manager introduced the report, which summarised the conduct of Members within the 2021-22 municipal year.

The Code of Conduct was previously reviewed in July 2020, in line with a report by the Committee on Standards in Public Life in 2019, which recommended changes to local codes of conduct to improve ethical standards.

Three Member complaints were received in the 2020-21 municipal year. The learning points from those complaints focussed on Members' use of social media.

A review of the Council's 'Member Communications Protocol' was underway, and would be circulated in due course to provide Members with further guidance on social media use.

**RESOLVED** to note the Member Complaints 2021-22 report.

### **13 Urgent business**

There was no urgent business.

The meeting finished at 7.37 pm

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