Mid Devon District Council

Standards Committee

Wednesday, 8 February 2023 at 6.00 pm Phoenix Chambers, Phoenix House, Tiverton

> Next ordinary meeting Date Not Specified at this time

Please Note: This meeting will take place at Phoenix House and members of the Public and Press are able to attend via Zoom. If you are intending to attend in person please contact the committee clerk in advance, in order that numbers of people can be appropriately managed in physical meeting rooms.

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Membership

Cllr Mrs F J Colthorpe Cllr R M Deed Cllr C J Eginton Cllr C R Slade Cllr Mrs E J Slade Cllr Mrs M E Squires Cllr L D Taylor Cllr Mrs N Woollatt Cllr A Wyer

AGENDA

Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place

Apologies and Substitute Members
 To receive any apologies for absence and notices of appointment of
 Substitute Members (if any).

2 **Public Question Time**

To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.

3 Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)

To consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 19 October 2022.

4 **Declarations of Interest Under the Code of Conduct** To record any interests on agenda matters.

5 Chairman's Annoucments

To receive any announcements the Chairman of the Committee may wish to make.

- 6 **Task and Finish Group (Council Procedure Rules Review)** (Pages 9 - 72)
- 7 Update from the District Solicitor & Monitoring Officer To receive a verbal update from the District Solicitor & Monitoring Officer on any amendments to the Constitution.

8 Motion 582 (Concillor A Wilce - 10 October 2022)

The following motion has been passed to the Standards Committee from Council for consideration and report.

This Council RESOLVES that the Standards Committee is tasked to:

- 1. Review the Hybrid Meetings Protocol, and also consider whether or not it should form part of the Constitution; and
- 2. Consider whether any formal proceedings of the Council should be held online:
 - that are required to be 'open to the public' or 'held in public'; or,
 - where members are required to 'attend' or be 'present'; or,
 - where any notice that is required to be given that must specify the 'place' where those proceedings are to be conducted;

And to make recommendations to Council, accordingly.

9 **Complaints**

To receive a verbal update from the Monitoring Officer with regard to any on-going complaints being dealt with.

10 Identification of items for the next meeting

Members are asked to note that the following items are already identified in the work programme for the next meeting:

• Annual report of the Monitoring Officer

Stephen Walford Chief Executive Tuesday, 31 January 2023

Meeting Information

From 7 May 2021, the law requires all councils to hold formal meetings in person. The Council will enable all people to continue to participate in meetings via Zoom.

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