Membership of the Standards Committee

Cllr John Robini (Chairman)  Cllr Jerry Hyman
Cllr Michael Goodridge (Vice Chairman)  Cllr Robert Knowles
Cllr Brian Adams  Cllr Penny Marriott
Cllr Paul Follows  Cllr Peter Marriott
Cllr John Gray

Dear Councillors

A meeting of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE will be held as follows:

DATE:  MONDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2019
TIME:  5.00 PM
PLACE:  COMMITTEE ROOM 1, COUNCIL OFFICES, THE BURYS, GODALMING

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Policy and Governance

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NOTE FOR MEMBERS

Members are reminded that Contact Officers are shown in each report and members are welcome to raise questions, etc. in advance of the meeting with the appropriate officer.

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting which took place on 1 July 2019 (to be laid on the table 30 minutes before the meeting commences).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

To receive from Members, declarations of interests in relation to any items included on the agenda for this meeting in accordance with the Waverley Code of Local Government Conduct.

4. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Chairman to respond to any written questions received from Members of the public in accordance with Procedure Rule 10.

The deadline for receipt of questions is 5pm on Monday 23 September 2019.

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Chairman to respond to any written questions received from Members in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.

The deadline for receipt of questions is 5pm on Monday 23 September 2019.

CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS
6. **COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES**

The Council Procedure Rules are set out in Part 4 of Waverley's Constitution.

The Standards Committee are invited to consider the following proposals, that have been put forward by the Leader and Deputy Leader, as Portfolio Holders for Policy & Governance:

1. Member Conduct - Removal of the requirement to stand to speak at Full Council (PR 21.1)

2. Questions by the public – To amend PR 10 to re-introduce informal questions at meetings of Full Council.

3. Voting – PR 17.7 states that any voting referred to in PR17 may be conducted using any electronic voting systems available in the Council Chamber. It is proposed that the electronic voting system be used at Full Council and Planning Committee meetings from 1 October 2019.

4. Voting – Where the electronic voting system is used in Full Council or a Planning Committee meeting, the requirement of PR17.4 to formally request a recorded vote is waived and the names for and against the motion or amendment or abstaining from voting will be entered in the minutes.

**Recommendation**

That the Standards Committee considers the proposals for changes to the Council’s Procedure Rules, and makes recommendations to Council, as appropriate.

7. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To consider the following recommendation on the motion of the Chairman:

**Recommendation**

That, pursuant to Procedure Rule 20 and in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the item, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information (as defined by Section 100I of the Act) of the description specified at the meeting in the revised Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

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