

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE 05 May 2021
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 05 MAY 2021 AT 1000 HOURS, ON MICROSOFT TEAMS

PRESENT:

Peter Wiseman in the Chair;

Councillors Deirdre Alden, Peter Fowler, Julie Johnson, Carl Rice, Paul Tilsley and Steve Atkinson, Zubair Khan, Steven Jonas, Ray Tomkinson

Also Present:

Robert Connelly, Assistant Director Governance and Deputy Monitoring Officer
Emma Williamson, Head of Scrutiny Services

1. NOTICE OF RECORDING/ WEBCAST

The Chair advised the that this meeting will be webcast for live broadcast via the link on the website and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Alastair Cowen, Zubair Khan

4. MINUTES

The revised set of public Minutes (circulated before the meeting) of the meetings held on held on 19th April were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

5. AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS

Robert Connelly, Assistant Director Governance and Deputy Monitoring Officer, introduced the LGA Model Code of Conduct.

The Committee discussed whether a member that has been offered gifts or hospitality but not accepted it, should declare it. Members of the Committee agreed that it was a matter for Full Council to determine. The Chair proposed that...

It was further suggested that this item should be agreed when the Full Council can meet in full, though other members felt it should be agreed at the Annual Meeting.

Further points were made

4.4 second set of bullet points – two in red saying same thing – it was agreed to combine the two bullet points

4.8.1 re swearing reads slightly clunky. Better if later in the para after “personal attack”

4.5 bullet points – or “giving perception that you are so acting” to that bullet point

6. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

None

Meeting ended 1030 hours.

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CHAIR