

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

26 FEBRUARY 2021

Present:

Councillors Bullivant, Connett, Evans, Nuttall (Vice-Chair), Peart and L Petherick (Chair)

Officers in Attendance:

Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer
Trainee Democratic Services Officer
Democratic Services Administrative Assistant
Solicitor & Deputy Monitoring Officer

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on the 20th October 2020 and 9th November 2020 were approved as a correct record and will be signed at a later date.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. NEW LGA MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

Members considered the new LGA model code of conduct and gave their feedback. In response to questions the Monitoring Officer confirmed that all Group Leaders had been asked for their comments and that the new document covers similar issues that arise in the existing code of conduct.

Cllr Bullivant proposed that the new LGA model code of conduct be adopted and this was seconded by Cllr Peart.

RECOMMENDED to Full Council that the new LGA model code of conduct be adopted.

The vote was unanimous.

The Chair addressed the committee and noted that over the last twelve months she had witnessed some officers be maligned publicly and their integrity challenged without any right of reply in the public forum. The Chair highlighted that officers work very hard and that they should be supported by members to enable them to do their jobs effectively.

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The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 10.16 am.

CLLR L PETHERICK
Chairman