

Agenda

Standards Committee

Date: **Thursday 19 March 2026**

Time: **6.00 pm**

Place: **Council Chamber**

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Standards Committee

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Chair Councillor David Brocklebank

Vice-Chair Councillor Paul Feeney

Councillor Michael Adams
Councillor Andrew Ellwood
Councillor Andrew Meads
Councillor Martin Smith
Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton
Councillor Russell Whiting
Rosalie Hawks
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Responsibility of committee:

Within their terms of reference the Standards Committee will be responsible for:

- a) promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by the members and co-opted members of the council;
- b) assisting members and any co-opted members of the Council to observe the Members' Code of Conduct;
- c) advising the Council on the adoption or revision of the Members' Code of Conduct;
- d) monitoring the operation of the Members' Code of Conduct;
- e) advising, training or arranging to train members and any co-opted members of the council on matters relating to the Members' Code of Conduct;
- f) performing the functions set out in (a) - (e) above in respect of the parish councils in the Borough;
- g) granting dispensations to members and any co-opted members from requirements relating to interests set out in the Members' Code of Conduct;
- h) dealing with any reports from the Monitoring Officer on any matter;

- i) advising on what should be entered into the register of interests for members and co-opted members;
- j) dealing with matters relating to the recruitment of co-opted independent and parish members of the Standards Committee;
- k) dealing with matters relating to the recruitment of the Independent Person and to make recommendations to Council as to the appointment of the Independent Person.
- l) approving all strategies, policies, protocols and procedural documents that fall within the remit of the Committee (excluding budget and policy framework items).

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