MINUTES STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Thursday 23 October 2025

Councillor Paul Feeney (Chair)

Councillor David Brocklebank Councillor Michael Adams Councillor Andrew Ellwood Councillor Andrew Meads Councillor Martin Smith Councillor Clive Towsey-Hinton Councillor Russell Whiting Rosalie Hawks Louise Kopyrko

Absent: Mr J.R Baggaley

Officers in Attendance: F Whyley, N Osei and L Squires

32 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

No apologies for absences were received.

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26/06/2025.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

34 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

35 CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW

A report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer was circulated prior to the meeting to seek approval to postpone a review of the Council's Member Code of Conduct to 2026/27.

A motion was made and seconded to establish a working group to review the drafted social media guidelines.

RESOLVED

THAT:

1) Members note the current position on the Government's consultation on the Standards regime and agree to a review of the Gedling Borough Council Code of Conduct in 2026/27.

- 2) Members support the development of social media guidelines for Councillors to support the Code of Conduct.
- Committee agrees to establish a cross-party working group to assist the Monitoring Officer in the review and creation of social media guidelines for Councillors.

36 UPDATE ON CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS

A report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer was circulated prior to the meeting to inform members of the Standards Committee of complaints received between 26 June 2025 and 23 October 2025.

Resolved

That:

1) The report be noted.

37 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 6.17 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: