

Standards Committee

Date:Tuesday, 01 May 2018Time:10:00Venue:Council ChamberAddress:Town Hall, Hall Plain, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2QF

AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

You have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a matter to be discussed if it relates to something on your Register of Interests form. You must declare the interest and leave the room while the matter is dealt with.

You have a Personal Interest in a matter to be discussed if it affects

- your well being or financial position
- that of your family or close friends
- that of a club or society in which you have a management role
- that of another public body of which you are a member to a greater extent than others in your ward.

You must declare a personal interest but can speak and vote on the matter.

Whenever you declare an interest you must say why the interest

arises, so that it can be included in the minutes.

3 <u>MINUTES</u>

To confirm the minutes of the last meeting.

4 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

In the event of the Committee wishing to exclude the public from the meeting, the following resolution will be moved:-

"That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12(A) of the said Act."

5 <u>CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES</u>

Details

6 REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY MONITORING OFFICER

Details

7 BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT NUMBER 1 RE COUNCILLOR ANDREWS

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8 BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT NUMBER 2 AGAINST COUNCILLOR ANDREWS

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Standards Committee

Minutes

Thursday, 13 April 2017 at 10:00

PRESENT:

Councillor M Coleman (in the Chair); Councillors Andrews, Davis & Lawn.

Mrs I Eyre (Parish Council Representative)

Mr D Johnson (Investigating Officer, nplaw)

Mrs R Crosbie (Deputy Monitoring Officer) & Mrs C Webb (Member Services Officer)

Councillor Jeal (Subject Member).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Oram and Mr Macintosh.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest declared at the meeting.

3 MINUTES

(Confidential Minute on this Item)

- 4 GREAT YARMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT AGAINST COUNCILLOR JEAL (Confidential Minute on this Item)
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The Committee received and considered the report from the Independent Person.

The Independent Person reported that he had found the subject member was in breach of the Code of Conduct, but this was at the lower end of seriousness, in terms of failing to show others respect.

The subject member declined to explain his position to the Committee but thanked them for their kind consideration of the matter.

Following the submissions of all parties involved, the subject member and the Investigating Officer left the meeting in order that the Committee might deliberate the matter in private.

The subject member and the Investigating Officer returned to the Committee at 10:45 to hear the findings of the Committee in public.

RESOLVED:

That based on the written and oral evidence the Committee had been given to consider, the committee finds that there had been a breach of the code of conduct, which demands that Councillors always treat people with respect, including the organisations and public they engage with and work alongside.

Therefore, the committee requests that the subject member, Councillor Jeal, sends a written letter of apology to Mr Macintosh within 30 days of this meeting and we also strongly suggest that the subject member, Councillor Jeal, attends the Code of Conduct training, on Wednesday, 19 April 2017.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman reported that there was no other business as being of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

8 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

The meeting ended at: 10:50