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Friday 13 October 2023

## **Notice of Meeting**

Dear Member

### **Standards Committee**

The **Standards Committee** will meet in the **Meeting Room 1 - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **2.00 pm** on **Monday 23 October 2023**.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

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**Julie Muscroft**

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Kirklees Council advocates openness and transparency as part of its democratic processes. Anyone wishing to record (film or audio) the public parts of the meeting should inform the Chair/Clerk of their intentions prior to the meeting.

## **The Standards Committee members are:-**

### **Member**

Councillor Harry McCarthy (Chair)

Councillor Jo Lawson

Councillor James Homewood

Councillor Mohan Sokhal

Councillor Itrat Ali

Councillor Martyn Bolt

Councillor Alison Munro

# Agenda

## Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

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### Pages

**1: Membership of the Committee**

To receive apologies for absence from those Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

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**2: Minutes of Previous Meeting**

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023.

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

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**3: Declaration of Interests**

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Members will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have any disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interests, which may prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items.

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**4: Admission of the Public**

Most agenda items take place in public. This only changes where there is a need to consider exempt information, as contained at Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. You will be informed at this point which items are to be recommended for exclusion and to be resolved by the Committee.

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**5: Deputation/Petitions**

The Committee will receive any petitions and/or deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also submit a petition at the meeting relating to a matter on which the body has powers

and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10, Members of the Public must submit a deputation in writing, at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting and shall subsequently be notified if the deputation shall be heard. A maximum of four deputations shall be heard at any one meeting.

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## **6: Public Question Time**

To receive any public questions.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, the period for the asking and answering of public questions shall not exceed 15 minutes.

Any questions must be submitted in writing at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting.

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## **7: Code of Conduct Complains Update**

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To brief the Standards Committee on Councillor complaints under the Code of Conduct since the last Standards Committee meeting in March 2023.

**Contact Officer:** David Stickley, Senior Legal Officer

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## **8: Cases and News Update**

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To brief the Standards Committee on any news and cases of interest since March 2023.

**Contact Officer:** David Stickley – Senior Legal Officer

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