

Ethics Committee

Time and Date

10.00 am on Thursday, 9 December, 2021

Place

DR 1 and 2, Council House, Coventry, CV1 5RR

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- 1. Apologies
- 2. **Declarations of Interest**
- 3. **Minutes** (Pages 3 6)
 - a) To agree the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 30 September, 2021
 - b) Any matters arising
- 4. Complaints to the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman **2020/21** (Pages 7 30)

Report of the Chief Executive

5. Civility in Public Life and Digital Citizenship (Pages 31 - 64)

Report of the Director of Law and Governance

6. Committee on Standards in Public Life - Annual Report 2020-21 (Pages 65 - 74)

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7. Review of Operation of Code of Conduct for Elected and Co-opted Members (Pages 75 - 118)

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8. **Review of Guidance on Declaration of Interests** (Pages 119 - 134)

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9. Code of Conduct Update (Pages 135 - 144)

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10. Ethics Committee Work Programme 2021/22 (Pages 145 - 152)

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11. Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

Julie Newman, Director of Law and Governance, Council House Coventry

Wednesday, 1 December 2021

Note: The person to contact about the agenda and documents for this meeting is Suzanne Bennett Tel: 024 7697 2299 Email: suzanne.bennett@coventry.gov.uk

Membership: Councillors P Hetherton, J Mutton, S Walsh (Chair) and D Welsh

1 vacancy

Independent Persons: S Atkinson, A Barton, R Wills and P Wiseman

Named Substitute Member: Councillors M Mutton

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