

MINUTES OF THE STANDARD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 18 JULY AT 7:00PM – 7:45PM

PRESENT: Councillor Ibrahim Ali, Councillor Barbara Blake, Councillor Scott Emery and Councillor Michelle Simmons- Safo.

Also present: Yeside Odumade (Principal Democratic Service Officer), Fiona Alderman (Assistant Director for Legal & Governance), Vanessa Mayengehama (Trainee Solicitor) and Ummer Iqbal (Trainee Solicitor)

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Chair referred to the filming of meetings and this information was noted.

2. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dogan.

3. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2024 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

6. APPOINTMENT OF THE STANDARDS ASSESSMENT AND HEARING SUB-COMMITTEES

RESOLVED:

To agree that, given the need for members' expertise and discretion, the membership of the Standards Assessment Sub-Committee and the Standards Hearing Sub-Committee be the same as the membership of the Standards Committee.

7. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

There were no further topics identified.

8. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no new items of urgent business.

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was agreed for the press and public to be excluded from the meeting as the remainder of the items contained exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1985); paras 1 & 2; namely, information relating to any individual and information likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

10. Appointment of Independent Persons under section 28(7) of the Localism Act 2011 (to support the operation of the Code of Conduct by the Standards Committee) from 31 July 2024 to 30 June 2028.

As per the exempt minutes.

11.Exempt Urgent Business

None