

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of **GOVERNANCE, ETHICS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE** held on Thursday, 14 July 2022 at County Hall, Matlock, Derbyshire, DE4 3AG.

PRESENT

Councillor S Swann (in the Chair)

Councillors C Cupit, D Muller, B Woods, W Major, K Gillott, G Hickton and M Foster.

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor R Flatley and L Grooby.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Helen Barrington (Director of Legal and Democratic Services)
Helen Jones (Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health)
Emma Crapper (Director of Organisation Development and Policy)
Julie Odams (Assistant Director of Communications & Customers)
Jen Skila (Assistant Director of HR)
Alisha Parker (Business Services Officer)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

11/22 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Governance, Ethics and Standards Committee held on 03 March 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

12/22 REVISIONS TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

The Director of Organisation, Development And Policy E Crapper and Assistant Director Of HR J Skila introduced a report, on the proposed changes to the terms of reference of the Appointments and Conditions of Service Committee and Officer Employment Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution for agreement and referral to full Council for approval.

RESOLVED to

1) Agree the proposed changes to the terms of reference of the Appointments and Conditions of Service Committee and Officer Employment Procedure Rules and refer them to full Council for approval.

13/22 UPDATES TO THE CONSTITUTION: AMENDMENT TO THE CABINET PROCEDURE RULES

The Director of Legal and Democratic Services H Barrington introduced a report, seeking agreement to amend the Cabinet Procedure Rules to include provision for questions from Minority Group Leaders and refer the matter to Council for approval and inclusion in the Constitution.

RESOLVED

- 1) Subject to the correction of minor drafting points, to agree to amend the Cabinet Procedure Rules to include provision for questions from Minority Group Leaders as set out in paragraph 2.2 of the report; and
- 2) To refer the amendment to the Cabinet Procedure Rules to full Council for approval and inclusion in the Constitution.

14/22 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2021/22

The Director of Legal and Democratic Services H Barrington and Chairman Councillor S Swann introduced the annual report of the Chairman of the Governance, Ethics and Standards Committee prior to presentation to full Council.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Endorse the annual report of the Chairman of the Committee attached as Appendix 2 to the report and supports its presentation to full Council.

15/22 COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT ETHICAL STANDARDS

The Director of Legal and Democratic Services H Barrington introduced a report, providing an update on the government's response to the Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life on Local Government ethical standards and the actions taken by the Council to implement the best practice recommendations set out in the Report.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Note the government's response to the Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life on Local Government ethical standards and the actions taken by the Council to implement the best practice recommendations set out in the Report.

16/22 CUSTOMER FEEDBACK: COMPLIMENTS AND COMPLAINTS 2021/22

The Assistant Director Communications And Customers J Odams

introduced a report, providing an end of year update on complaints and compliments reported to the Council during 2021/22 and trend analysis for the last six years.

RESOLVED to

1) Note the content of the report and the latest data.

17/22 REVISIONS TO HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP

The Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health H Jones introduced a report outlining the proposed changes to the Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference and Membership.

RESOLVED to

1) Note the proposed changes to the Health and Wellbeing Board Membership and Terms of Reference that outlines how the Board can work effectively and in partnership with the Integrated Care Partnership;

2) Note the proposed addition of the Derbyshire Integrated Care Board to its membership, as part of the statutory requirements of the Health and Care Bill posed to take affect from 1 July 2022; and

3) Support the revised draft terms of reference for adoption at the Health and Wellbeing Board on 6 October 2022 and approval by full Council on 30 November 2022.

18/22 UPDATE ON COMPLETION OF THE MEMBER INDUCTION PROGRAMME

The Director of Organisation, Development and Policy E Crapper introduced a report, updating the committee on the attendance of Elected Members on the Member Induction Programme following the elections in May 2021, and the work of the Member Development Working Group to date (MDWG).

RESOLVED to

1) Note the induction completion rates and progress of MDWG in increasing participation; and

2) Note the completion rates of the Code of Conduct training.