

#### **Minutes**

of the Meeting of

# The Standards Sub-Committee Tuesday, 6 September 2022

Rickford Room

Meeting Commenced: 2.00 pm Meeting Concluded: 3.00 pm

#### Councillors:

Ann Harley Mike Solomon John Crockford-Hawley (substitute for James Tonkin)

Apologies: Councillors: James Tonkin...

#### Also in attendance:

Anita Smith, Independent Town Councillor Nick Carter Brown, Independent Member

**Officers in attendance:** Sara Saunders (Deputy Monitoring Officer), Beth Solomon, Michèle Chesterman, Harriet Isherwood (Corporate Services)

### STD Election of Chairperson for the meeting (Agenda item 1) 1

**Resolved**: that Councillor Crockford-Hawley be elected Chairperson for the meeting.

#### **Councillor Crockford-Hawley in the Chair**

### STD Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (Standing Order 37) (Agenda item 3)

None.

### STD Exclusion of the press and public (Agenda item 4) 3

The Sub-Committee was invited to pass the following resolution:

"(1) That the press, public, and officers not required by the Members, the Chief Executive or the Director, to remain during the exempt session, be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the ground that its consideration will involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act"

Also, if appropriate, the following resolution should be passed –

"(2) That members of the Council who are not members of this Sub-Committee be invited to remain."

**Resolved:** that the resolutions be passed.

Item Reason for Exemption

Minute No. Paragraphs 1 & 2 of Schedule 12A of the Local

STD 4 Government Act 1972

## STD Complaints against two Town Councillors (Case nos: 11-2021 02-2022, 03-2022) (Exempt item) (Agenda item 5)

Sara Saunders, Deputy Monitoring Officer, outlined the complaints and then responded to questions from the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee considered the complaint, together with the responses from the Councillors concerned, and received the views of the Independent Town Councillor and the Independent Member.

After much deliberation, the Sub-Committee

**Resolved:** that the matter be referred for further investigation by the Monitoring Officer.

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<u>Chairperson</u>	