

# Constitution and Standards Committee

Friday 6 October 2017

10.00 am Luttrell Room - County Hall,  
Taunton



To: The Members of the Constitution and Standards Committee

Cllr N Taylor (Chairman), Cllr S Coles, Cllr H Davies, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr D Loveridge  
Mrs V Chapman, Mr R Horton, Mrs J Middleton, Dr T Ward and Mr W Wooding

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# AGENDA

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1 **Apologies for absence**

2 **Declarations of Interest**

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils will be displayed in the meeting room. The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via the Community Governance team.

3 **Minutes from the previous meeting** (Pages 5 - 8)

The Committee is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

4 **Public Question Time**

The Chairman will allow members of the public to present a petition on any matter within the Committee's remit. Questions or statements about any matter on the agenda for this meeting will be taken at the time when each matter is considered.

5 **Changes to the Contract Procedure Rules and Standing Orders** (Pages 9 - 12)

To consider this report.

6 **New rules to strengthen standards for Councillors** (Pages 13 - 16)

To consider this report.

7 **Access to Information and the Constitutional Provisions** (Pages 17 - 20)

To consider this report.

8 **Changing the names of Electoral Divisions** (Pages 21 - 24)

To consider this report.

9 **Any other urgent items of business**

The Chairman may raise any items of urgent business.