

Constitution and Standards Committee

Friday 6 July 2018

10.00 am Luttrell Room - County Hall,
Taunton



To: The Members of the Constitution and Standards Committee

Cllr W Wallace (Chair), Cllr M Best, Cllr H Davies, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr D Loveridge,
Vicky Chapman, Robin Horton, Janice Middleton, Tim Ward and Wesley Wooding

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AGENDA

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*** Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe ***

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 Democratic Services team.

3 Minutes from the previous meeting

The Committee is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

4 Public Question Time

The Chair 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 Electoral Divisions proposed name changes

To receive a report following the completion of public consultation regarding the potential name changes to four electoral divisions.

6 Update on Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks for elected members (Pages 7 - 10)

To receive a report outlining the progress made in completing DBS checks for elected members in accordance with the approach approved by County Council on 29 November 2017.

7 Empowerment of the new Interim Director of Finance (Pages 11 - 14)

To consider a report regarding proposed amendments to the Constitution in order to empower the Interim Director of Finance to take delegated decisions.

8 Full Council meeting procedure rules and Access to Information Provisions - report to follow

To consider a report proposing revisions to the county council meeting procedure rules and Access to Information Provisions.

9 Audio recordings of committee meetings

For the committee to discuss the new provisions for publishing and retaining audio recordings of some of the Council's meetings.

10 Forward Work Programme

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For the Committee to discuss and review the forward work programme of business and in particular the business for the next meeting.

11 **Any other urgent items of business**

The Chairman may raise any items of urgent business.