

Public Agenda Pack



STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Monday, 14 October 2024

10.00 am

**John Meikle Room, The Deane House,
Belvedere Road, Taunton TA1 1HE**

SUPPLEMENT TO THE AGENDA

To: The members of the Standards Committee

We are now able to enclose the following information which has been updated since the agenda was published:

Agenda Item 9 Standards Committee Gifts and Hospitality (Pages 3 - 6)

To provide a report on the gifts and hospitality received by members during the period March 2024 to August 2024.

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MEMBERS' GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY REGISTER SUMMARY – MARCH 2024 TO AUGUST 2024

Extract from the Members Code of Conduct within the Council's Constitution:

“3. **Receipts of gifts and hospitality**

3.1 (1) *You must, within 28 days of receipt, notify the Monitoring Officer in writing of any gift, benefit or hospitality with a value in excess of £50 which you have accepted or rejected as a member from any person or body other than the Council.*

(2) The Monitoring Officer will place your notification on a public register of gifts and hospitality.”

Date of gift /hospitality	Members name	Detail of declaration	Accept (Y) Decline (N)	Reason for accepted/declined
26 March 2024	Cllr Richard Wilkins	Name of Donor: Great Western Railways (GWR) Details: Travel, Hotel and Dinner to attend the Value: £726.50	Y	GWR Strategic Partners Networking Dinner at the House of Lords
7 May 2024	Cllr Ros Wyke	Name of Donor: Hinkley Point C Value: £35	Y	Supper hosting Dutch delegates
21 May 2024	Cllr John Cook-Woodman	The King's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace Value: unknown	Y	

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22 May 2024	Cllr Bill Revans	Name of Donor: Somerset County Cricket Club Details: Complimentary tickets and hospitality to England v Pakistan Women's one day international at County Ground Taunton Value: £100	Y	
31 May 2024	Cllr Liz Leyshon	Name of Donor: None given, a resident in Frome Details: Flowers Value: under £20	Y	I accepted as to refuse could have been deemed impolite
18 June 2024	Cllr Liz Leyshon	Name of Donor: None given, a resident in Street Details: Greggs Voucher & Chocolates Value: £24	Y	I accepted as to refuse could have been deemed impolite
17 – 19 June 2024	Cllr Michael Caswell	Name of Donor: Somerset Council Details: Rail fare, Hotel Accommodation and Food. To attend the Nuleaf national meeting in Llandudno and visit to Trows Nuclear Power Station.	Y	I accepted the offer on behalf of Somerset Council
25 June 2024	Cllr Simon Coles	Name of Donor: two of the Directors of Red One Ltd, Dr Sian George and Robin	Y	

		<p>Details: on the evening of 25th June, I was invited to a one course evening meal at a local (Taunton) Italian restaurant</p> <p>Value: approx. cost of my meal was £15.00p no alcohol was consumed.</p>		
28 June 2024	Cllr Ros Wyke	<p>Name of Donor: Glastonbury Festival</p> <p>Details: Ticket and lunch</p> <p>Value: £355 plus £30</p>	Y	The VIP guests were invited by SC and Economic Development (ED)team. Used two days only for ED Tours. ED and CEO hosted guests from partnership organisations.
28 June 2024	Cllr Richard Wilkins	<p>Name of Donor: Glastonbury Festival</p> <p>Details: Ticket and lunch</p> <p>Value: £355 plus £30</p>	Y	The VIP guests were invited by Somerset Council and Economic Development team
1 July 2024	Cllr Federica Smith-Roberts	<p>Name of Donor: Citizens Somerset</p> <p>Return train ticket at the value of £69.15 to travel to Citizens UK General Assembly in London</p>	Y	

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20 August 2024	Cllr Tom Deakin	Name of Donor: Taunton Flower Show Details: 2 Tickets Value: Approximately £40	Y	
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