

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Standards Committee held as a Virtual Meeting
on Tuesday, 20th October, 2020 at 7.30 pm

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The Chair welcomed everyone to the virtual Standards Committee meeting that was being conducted with Members and Officers at various locations, communicating via audio/video and online and advised that there was the opportunity for the public and press to listen and view proceedings.

The Committee, Member and Scrutiny Manager undertook a roll call and gave advice regarding the following:

- Attendance;
- Virtual Meeting;
- Noise Interference;
- Rules of Debate;
- Voting.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Parish Councillor Martin Griffin apologised that he would be leaving the meeting at 8pm.

Former Parish Councillor Julia Magill had apologised that she could no longer attend the Standards Committee as she was no longer qualified to do so as she was no longer a Parish Councillor.

RESOLVED: That it be placed on record that the Standards Committee thank former Parish Councillor Julia Magill for her service to the Committee.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair welcomed Parish Councillor Martin Griffin, Parish Councillor Rebecca Elliott and Reserve Independent Person John Richardson, who were all new to the NHDC Standards Committee.
- (2) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council policy, this meeting was being audio recorded as well as filmed. The audio recordings would be available to view on Mod.gov and the film recording via the NHDC YouTube channel.
- (3) Members were reminded to make declarations of interest before an item, the detailed reminder about this and speaking rights was set out under Chair's Announcements on the agenda.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no presentations by members of the public.

6 STANDARDS MATTERS

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the content of the report entitled Standards Matters be noted;
- (2) That the Learning and Development Champions be requested to consider ways to encourage Member uptake of training opportunities;
- (3) That all Members continue to be offered the opportunity to attend the training sessions provided as part of the Member Induction Programme.

REASON FOR DECISIONS: To ensure good governance within the Council.