

Agenda for Standards Hearing Sub Committee Friday, 12th March, 2021, 9.30 am



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Venue: Online via the zoom app

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- 1 Introduction by Chair
- 2 Declarations of Interest
- 3 Hearing status
Sub Committee to determine any request for the Hearing to be held in private session.
- 4 Hearing to consider three complaints 2020-C10, 2020-C11 & 2020-C19 -
Councillor John Taylor (Pages 3 - 5)

To hold a hearing to consider an investigation report into the complaint about Councillor John Taylor, Honiton Town Council in accordance with the Council's procedure which includes:

- (a) To determine findings of fact and to decide whether or not the Councillor has failed to follow the Code of Conduct.
- (b) To determine what sanction, if any, should be imposed.

Attached papers:

Appendix A Prehearing summary report (pages 6 – 8)

Appendix B Independent Investigator's Final Report (pages 9 – 129)

Appendix C Letter to Councillor Taylor – Findings of breach following investigation (pages 130 – 133)

Appendix D Complaints Hearing Procedure (pages 134 – 137)

Appendix E Complaints against Councillor Taylor (pages 138 – 214)

Appendix F Councillor Taylor's text to the Independent Investigator (pages 215 – 218)

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