



# Agenda for Standards Committee

## Thursday, 15th January, 2026, 10.00 am

### Members of Standards Committee

**Councillors:** T Dumper, E Rylance (Chair), S Hughes, J Loudoun, J Bailey, I Chubb and J Whibley

**Independent Persons:** P Coulter and M Goscomb

**Independent Representatives:** K Bryant, S Jupp and P Wilde

**Town and Parish Council Representatives:** C Lockyear, F Pullman and S Sexton

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**At the close of this meeting, Committee Members only will remain for case studies, and training for new members.**

### 1 Welcome from the Chair

To welcome newly appointed members of the committee, and formally thank outgoing members for their contribution.

### 2 Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 3 - 6)

To agree the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 20 November 2025 as an accurate record.

### 3 Apologies

Cllr Chris Lockyear, Town and Parish Council Representative

### 4 Declarations of interest

Guidance is available online to Councillors and co-opted members on making [declarations of interest](#)

### 5 Public speaking

Information on [public speaking](#) is available online

### 6 Matters of urgency

Information on [matters of urgency](#) is available online

### 7 Confidential/exempt item(s)

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the Press) have been excluded. There are no items which officers recommend should be dealt with in this way.

## 8 Future committee dates

Scheduled dates for the remainder of the civic term are:

- 9<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 10am

Proposed dates for the next civic term are:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026
- 1<sup>st</sup> October 2026
- 21<sup>st</sup> January 2027
- 8<sup>th</sup> April 2027

All meetings with a 10am start time, to be held in the Council Chamber at Blackdown House.

## 9 Work Programme update (Pages 7 - 10)

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