STANDARDS AND ETHICS COMMITTEE

Date and Time:- Thursday 11 September 2025 at 2.00 p.m.

Venue:- Rotherham Town Hall, The Crofts, Moorgate Street,

Rotherham. S60 2TH

Membership:- Councillors Clarke (Chair), Lelliott (Vice-Chair), Beck,

T. Collingham, Hall, Harper, Keenan and Monk.

Independent Co-optees:- Mrs. A. Bingham, Mr. P. Edler

and Mrs. K. Penney.

Independent Persons:- Mr. P. Beavers and Mr. D. Roper-

Newman.

The items which will be discussed are described on the agenda below and there are reports attached which give more details.

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive the apologies of any Member who is unable to attend today's meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of items listed on the agenda.

3. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any part of the agenda.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th June, 2025 (Pages 3 - 7)

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th June, 2025 as a true and correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chair.

5. Appointment of Parish Council Members to the Standards and Ethics Committee (Pages 9 - 11)

To consider the appointment of Parish Council Members to the Standards and Ethics Committee following a ballot by the YLCA (Yorkshire Local Council Association).

6. Review of Members' Register of Interests

To receive a verbal update on the current status of Members' Registers of Interest.

7. LGA's Debate Not Hate Campaign (Pages 13 - 77)

A consider the objectives of and the resources available to the Council and Members through the LGA's Debate Not Hate Campaign.

8. A Review of Concerns Raised Pursuant to the Whistleblowing Policy (Pages 79 - 86)

To give consideration to a report regarding concerns raised pursuant to the Whistleblowing Policy and the actions taken to address these matters.

9. Review of Complaints (Pages 87 - 94)

To give consideration to a report updating the Committee on the Complaints received against Members of the Council, and Town and Parish Councillors alleging a breach of the Code of Conduct.

10. Urgent Business

To determine any item which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

The next meeting of the Standards and Ethics Committee will be held on Thursday 13 November 2025 commencing at 2.00 p.m. in Rotherham Town Hall.

JOHN EDWARDS, Chief Executive.