

# Ethics Committee Agenda



To: Councillor Louis Carserides (Chair)  
Councillor Clive Fraser (Vice-Chair)  
Councillors Jade Appleton, Mario Creatura, Helen Redfern and  
Esther Sutton

Independent Members: Don Axcell, Jennifer Gordon, Ashok Kumar, Alan  
Malarkey and Anne Smith

Reserve Members: Councillors Jeet Bains, Richard Chatterjee,  
Karen Jewitt, Humayun Kabir and Holly Ramsey

A meeting of the **Ethics Committee** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will  
be held on **Wednesday, 8 February 2023** at **6.30 pm** in

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## **AGENDA – PART A**

**1. Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies for absence from any Members of the Committee.

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 10)**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2022 as an accurate record.

**3. Disclosure of Interests**

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) they may have in relation to any item(s) of business on today's agenda.

**4. Urgent Business (if any)**

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

**5. Work Programme (Pages 11 - 12)**

This Work Programme is subject to consultation with Members of the Ethics Committee.

**6. Update on Ethics Complaints Received in the Third Quarter up to and including 30 September 2022 (Pages 13 - 20)**

The Council has determined that the Ethics Committee shall be responsible for receiving and considering reports on matters of probity and ethics and to consider matters relating to the Code of Conduct.

**7. Update on Ethics Complaints received in the Fourth Quarter up to and including 31 December 2022 (Pages 21 - 24)**

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**8. Annual Report on Ethics Complaints for 2022 (Pages 25 - 30)**

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**9. Recent Developments in Ethical Standards (Pages 31 - 40)**

It is a function of Ethics Committee, among other matters to support the statutory role of the Monitoring Officer as set out in Article 9 of the Constitution, including the promotion of high standards of Member conduct and receiving reports from the Monitoring Officer on matters of probity and ethics.

**10. Member Gifts and Hospitality (Pages 41 - 46)**

Members must comply with the Members' Code of Conduct including the protocol around declaring gifts and hospitality. This report (Appendix 1) gives the committee the details of gifts and hospitality declared by Members (Executive Mayor and Councilors) since the 13 September 2022 (following publication date of the previous Ethics Committee meeting).