

**Notice of meeting of
Joint Standards Committee Hearings Sub-Committee**

To: Councillors Douglas (Chair) and Fisher
Councillor Chambers (Parish Council Member)

Date: Thursday, 30 September 2021

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The George Hudson Board Room - 1st Floor West
Offices (F045)

A G E N D A

**THIS IS A CONTINUATION OF THE HEARING ADJOURNED
ON 31 AUGUST 2021**

1. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare:

- Any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- Any prejudicial interests or
- Any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered to speak can do so. Members of the public may speak on agenda items or on matters within the remit of the committee. The deadline for registering at this meeting is at **5:00pm on Tuesday 28 September 2021.**

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3. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider whether to exclude the Press and Public at any point in the hearing when there is a possibility that exempt information under Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) may be disclosed; namely, the identity of any of the witnesses called to give evidence.

4. Complaint against a Member of a Council (Pages 3 - 34) covered by the Joint Standards Committee

To consider a complaint made against Cllr Hardcastle, a Member of Deighton Parish Council, which has been referred to the Hearings Sub-Committee for determination following an investigation.

Report (pages 3 - 6)

Annex A - Complaint (pages 7 – 10)

Annex B – Investigating Officer's Report (pages 11 – 14)

Annex C – Code of Conduct Deighton Parish Council (pages 15 – 20)

Annex D – Standards Hearing Procedures (pages 21 – 26)

Annex E – Eve Hale Checklist (pages 27 – 30)

Annex F – Hearing Checklist – Councillor Hardwick (pages 31 – 34)

5. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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Distribution:

Members of the Hearings Sub-Committee

Monitoring Officer

Complainant

Subject Member

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