
Meeting	Joint Standards Committee - Assessments Sub-Committee
Date	18 September 2023
Present	Councillors Fisher, Pavlovic, Rowley and Leigh Mr Leigh (Independent Person)
In attendance	Frances Harrison – Deputy Monitoring Officer

7. Appointment of Chair (10:30)

Resolved: That Cllr Fisher be appointed as Chair of the meeting.

8. Declarations of Interest (10:31)

Members were asked to declare at this point in the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registerable interests they might have in respect of business on the agenda, if they had not already done so in advance on the Register of Interests. None were declared.

9. Exclusion of Press and Public (10:31)

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the private report at Agenda Item 4 (Code of Conduct Complaints received in respect a City of York Councillor), on the grounds that it contains information relating to individuals and information likely to reveal the identity of individuals. This information is classed as exempt under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

10. Code of Conduct Complaint received in respect of a City of York Councillor (10:31)

Members considered a report which set out a Code of Conduct complaints received in respect of a City of York Councillor. Details of the complaints and circumstances were presented in the private report referred to in Minute 9 above.

Members were asked to consider whether to:

- A. Rule that the complaint is out of scope, or
- B. Rule that the complaint is in scope and choose either to:
 - i. take no further action
 - ii. seek to resolve the matter informally, or
 - iii. refer the matter for investigation

Having considered all the information provided, and the advice of the Independent Person at the meeting, it was

Resolved: That option A be approved and the complaint be ruled out of scope.

Reason: The Sub-Committee does not consider that this matter is capable of being a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Councillor Fisher, Chair

[The meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 10.49 am].