
Meeting	Joint Standards Committee
Date	18 March 2025
Present	Councillors Rowley BEM (Chair), Fisher, Pavlovic, Runciman, Kent (CYC Members), Councillors Chambers, Geogheghan-Breen Parish Council Members, Mr J Leigh and Ms R Mazza (Independent Persons)
Officer Present	Frances Harrison, Head of Legal, Deputy Monitoring Officer

32. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received and noted from Parish Councillor Waudby.

33. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, or any prejudicial interests or disclosable pecuniary interests which they might have in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

34. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the exempt versions of Annexes A (ii) and B (ii) to Agenda Item 10 (Monitoring Report on Complaints Received), on the grounds that they contain information likely to reveal the identity of individuals, which is classed as exempt under Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

35. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Standards Committee held on 23 January 2025 be approved as a correct record.

36. Minutes of Sub-Committees

Resolved: That the minutes of the sub-committee meeting, 23 January 2025 be approved as a correct record.

37. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

38. Annual Report for 2024/2025

Members considered the draft Annual Report for 2024/25 as prepared by officers and discussed the presentation of the pie charts. Members requested a summary of the trends in relation to the complaints received and also a summary of the key points from the consultation on strengthening standards.

Resolved:

- i. That the report be noted.
- ii. That the draft report with the Chair's introduction and the summaries as outlined above be circulated to the committee prior to publication.

Reason: To ensure that the committee have oversight of the report ahead of it being presented to Full Council later in the year.

39. Review of Work Plan

Members considered the committee's work plan for the current municipal year.

Resolved: That the work plan be approved subject to the following additions:

- A representative of the YLCA to be invited to the next meeting.

Reason: To ensure that the committee has a planned programme of work in place.

40. Monitoring Report on Complaints Received

Members considered a report which provided an update on current business as regards complaints.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

Reason: To ensure that the committee is aware of current levels of activity.

Cllr M Rowley (BEM), Chair

The meeting started at 4.00 pm and finished at Time Not Specified.