

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Date: Monday 29th June, 2026
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Mandela Room

AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Fire Evacuation and Recording of Meetings**

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2. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare any interests in the items under consideration and in doing so state:

(1) the type of interest concerned:

- *Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) or*
- *Non-Pecuniary Interest (including personal or prejudicial interest)*

(2) the nature of the interest concerned.

If any member requires advice on declarations of interests, they are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

4. **Minutes - Standards Committee - 20 April 2026** 5 - 6
To receive the minutes of the previous meeting.
5. **Quarterly Update Report to Standards Committee** 7 - 12
To note the content of the report
6. **Review of Gifts and Hospitality** 13 - 30
To note the report and the declarations made during the period 1 April 2025 to 20 May 2026.
7. **Localism Act 2011 - General Dispensation** 31 - 34
To note the content of the report
8. **Appointment of an Independent Person (Reciprocal arrangements) Report** 35 - 40
For decision:
- *The entering into a reciprocal arrangement with Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council for the cross-authority use of appointed Independent Persons (IPs),*
 - *Making a recommendation to Full Council for the appointment of the designated Independent Persons duly appointed by Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council under the Localism Act 2011 to act as substitute Independent Persons for Middlesbrough Council, subject to conflict of interest checks*
9. **Any other urgent items which in the opinion of the Chair, may be considered.**

Charlotte Benjamin
Corporate Director of Legal and Corporate Services

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors A Romaine (Chair), J Thompson (Vice-Chair), P Gavigan, I Morrish, M Saunders, D Branson, J McConnell, D Coupe and Z Uddin

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