

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

At a meeting of the **STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE** held at Ground West Wing Room 2, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford on Thursday, 3 October 2013

PRESENT

Cllrs P Hollick
M R Jones

Cllr J Murray

Officers in Attendance: Mr J Atkinson – Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Mrs M Clampitt – Committee Services Officer

SSC/13/6 **Election of Chairman**

RESOLVED

That Cllr Peter Hollick be elected Chairman for this Standards Sub Committee.

SSC/13/7 **Members' Interests**

(a) **Personal Interests:-**

None.

(b) **Personal and Prejudicial Interests:-**

None.

SSC/13/8 **Exclusion of the Press and Public** **RESOLVED**

that in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

SSC/13/9 **Complaint against a CBC Councillor**

The Sub-Committee agreed to defer any decisions being made on this complaint to allow the Complainants and the Councillor in question to continue to try and reach a resolution agreeable to all parties.

The Monitoring Officer will keep the Sub-Committee advised of progress and will provide an update before the end of November 2013.

SSC/13/10 **Review of Complaint against a CBC Councillor**

The Sub-Committee considered the request for a review of the decision taken by the Monitoring Officer on 19 April 2013 relating to a complaint about Cllr Aldis.

The complaint concerned Cllr Aldis' refusal to speak to the complainant regarding a planning application which had yet to be determined by the Development Management Committee of which Cllr Aldis was a Member.

The Sub-Committee agreed that the Monitoring Officer's decision of 'No Breach' was sound and the response from Cllr Aldis to the complainant had been legitimate having regard to Cllr Aldis being a member of the Development Management Committee.

RESOLVED

That the decision taken by the Monitoring Officer that there had been no breach of the Council's Code of conduct was sound and no further action should be taken in respect of the complaint.

(Note: The meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and concluded at 10.50 a.m.)