STANDARDS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Standards Committee held on Tuesday 21 April 2015 at County Hall, Lewes.

PRESENT - Councillor Stogdon (Chair),

Councillors Blanch, Daniel, Earl, Ensor, Howson and D Shing

1. MINUTES

1.1 RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 22 April 2014 as a correct record.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 2.1 Councillors Blanch, Ensor and D Shing
- 3. <u>REPORTS</u>
- 3.1 A copy of the report referred to below is contained in the minute book.
- 4. <u>ANNUAL REPORT</u>
- 4.1 The Committee considered a report by the Assistant Chief Executive that provided an update in relation to Member conduct issues and the work of the Standards Committee.
- 4.2 It was RESOLVED to:
 - (1) note the report; and
 - (2) agree the report for submission to the County Council for consideration

5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

5.1 It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the remaining agenda items on the grounds that if the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as specified in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), namely information relating to an individual.

6. <u>DELEGATED INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT REGARDING COMPLAINT REFERENCE SC.001.15</u>

- 6.1 The Committee considered a report by the Assistant Chief Executive, the report considered by the Assessment Sub Committee and the Decision Notice, the Investigating Officer's report and the observations of the Independent Person.
- 6.2 It was RESOLVED to accept the finding of no failure (ie that the subject Member had not breached the Code) and that a 'Finding of no Failure' Notice be sent to the Subject Member and the Complainant