

AGENDA: Monday 13 November 2023

STANDING ITEMS

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| 1. | Welcome, Apologies & Declarations of Interest | PW |
| 2. | Matters Arising & Outstanding Actions | PW |

CONSENT AND INFORMATION ITEMS

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| 3. | Draft Minute of Meeting on 26 September 2023 | PW |
| 4. | Standards Commission Website Accessibility Regulations Review (verbal) | LJ |

STRATEGIC MATTERS

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| 5. | FOR DISCUSSION: | Promoting the Ethical Standards Framework and Update on Outreach Work | LJ |
| 6. | FOR DECISION: | Draft Strategic Plan for 2024/28 | LJ |

BUSINESS MATTERS

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| 7. | FOR DISCUSSION: | Management of Hearings | LJ |
| 8. | FOR REVIEW: | Annual Review of Key Performance Indicators and review of first half year performance against 2023/24 indicators | LJ |
| 9. | FOR REVIEW: | Expenditure against Budget & Expenditure 2023/24 quarter two review | LJ |
| 10. | FOR DISCUSSION: | Actions arising from Monitoring Officers' Workshop held on 23 October 2023 | LJ |
| 11. | FOR INFORMATION: | Update on recent Cases concerning Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights (right to freedom of expression) | LJ |
| 12. | FOR APPROVAL: | Advice Note for College Sector Board Members | LJ |

CASES

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| 13. | NOTE OF DECISION OF NO BREACH & SECTION 14 LETTERS | SCS |
| | a) LA/AC/3812: No breach report received re an Aberdeen City Councillor – direct further investigation | |
| | b) LA/WL/3698: Section 14 notification received re a West Lothian Councillor advising that a draft breach report has been issued by the ESC | |
| | c) LA/As/3827: No breach report received re an Aberdeenshire Councillor – no action | |

- d) **LA/G/3818**: No breach report received re a City of Glasgow Councillor – no action
- e) **LA/WL/3826**: No breach report received re a West Lothian Councillor – no action
- f) **LA/ED/3832**: Section 14 notification received re an East Dunbartonshire Councillor advising that a draft breach report has been issued by the ESC

14. CASES AND POST HEARING UPDATES (VERBAL)

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- a) **LA/Mi/3803**: Councillor Pottinger of Midlothian Council (no breach, post Hearing update)
- b) **LA/SL/3558b**: Councillor McAdams of South Lanarkshire Council (breach, post Hearing update)
- c) **LA/NL/3705**: Councillor Kenneth Duffy of North Lanarkshire Council
- d) **LA/E/3645**: Former Councillor John McLellan of City of Edinburgh Council
- e) **LA/As/3780**: Councillor Fatima Joji of Aberdeenshire Council
- f) **LA/WL/3790**: Councillor Sally Pattle of West Lothian Council
- g) **LA/NA/3707**: Councillor Tom Marshall of North Ayrshire Council
- h) **LA/H/3759**: Councillor Maxine Smith of Highland Council

15. THREE-MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS / INTERIM REPORT

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- a) **LA/AN/3822**: Investigation re an Angus Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
- b) **LA/G/3829**: Investigation re a Glasgow City Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
- c) **LA/SB/3908**: Investigation re a Scottish Borders Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
- d) **LA/AC/3794**: Investigation re an Aberdeen City Councillor – six-month progress report on investigation from ESC
- e) **LA/AC/3847**: Investigation re an Aberdeen City Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
- f) **LA/SB/3722**: Investigation re Scottish Borders' Councillor – eight-month progress report on investigation from ESC

16. FEEDBACK INCLUDING ANY HEARINGS SURVEY RESPONSES

- a) Hearings Survey response received 6 September 2023

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 17. FOR DISCUSSION:** Any emerging risks

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Agenda Items for next Meeting (verbal)

- 18. FOR INFORMATION:** 2023 Diary Dates – Meetings/Hearings/Events etc
2023 Workplan

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