AGENDA: Tuesday 31 March 2026

STANDING ITEMS

1.	Welcome, Apologies & Declarations of Interest		**SV**
2.	Matters Arising & Outstanding Actions		**SV**

CONSENT AND INFORMATION ITEMS

3.	Draft Minute of Meeting on 27 January 2026		**SV**

STRATEGIC MATTERS

4.	**FOR DISCUSSION:**	Promoting the Ethical Standards Framework and Update on Outreach Work	**LJ**
5.	**FOR APPROVAL:**	Business Plan 2026/27	**LJ**
6.	**FOR APPROVAL:**	Risk Register 2026/27	**LJ**

BUSINESS MATTERS

7.	**FOR APPROVAL:**	Standards Update March 2026	**LJ**
8.	**FOR DECISION / INFORMAITON:**	Human Resources Update (Role Evaluation Methodology and move to 35-hour working week)	**MF/ LJ**
9.	**FOR REVIEW:**	Review of Enquiries received 2025/26	**LJ**
10.	**FOR APPROVAL:**	Section 3 of Annual Report 2025/26	**LJ**
11.	**FOR INFORMATION:**	Freedom of information and subject access requests (verbal)	**LJ**
12.	**FOR REVIEW:**	Annual Review of Case Decisions and Hearings	**LJ**
13.	**FOR DISCUSSION:**	Notes and Actions arising from Standards Officers' Workshop on 17 March 2026	**LJ**

CASES

14. **NOTE OF NO ACTION DECISIONS & SECTION 14 LETTERS** **SCS**

a) **LA/G/4414**: No breach report received re a Glasgow City Councillor – no action
b) **LA/Fa/4317**: No breach report received re a Falkirk Councillor – no action
c) **LA/PK/4479**: No breach report received re a Perth and Kinross Councillor – no action
d) **LA/Fi/4391**: No breach report received re two Fife Councillors – no action

e) **LA/AB/4402**: Breach report received re an Argyll and Bute Councillor – no action
f) **LA/PK/4434**: No breach report received re a Perth and Kinross Councillor – no action
g) **LA/NL/4437**: No breach report received re a North Lanarkshire Councillor – no action
h) **LA/As/4466**: No breach report received re an Aberdeenshire Councillor – no action
i) **LA/G/4115**: No breach report received re Glasgow City Councillor – no action
j) **LA/Fa/4395**: No breach report received re Falkirk Councillor – no action
k) **LA/ER/4382**: Breach report received re an East Renfrewshire Councillor – no action
l) **LA/AC/4454**: Section 14 notification received re an Aberdeen City Councillor advising that a draft breach report has been issued by the ESC
m) **LA/ER/4506**: Section 14 notification received re an East Renfrewshire Councillor advising that a draft breach report has been issued by the ESC

15. CASES AND POST HEARING UPDATES (VERBAL) **SCS**

a) **LA/DG/4304**: Dumfries and Galloway councillor - Interim Suspension
b) **LA/DG/4041**: Councillor John Denerley of Dumfries and Galloway Council (**MB**, MF, LS)
c) **NPA/LLT/4184**: Sid Perrie, Member of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority (breach, post Hearing update)
d) **LA/G/4182**: Councillor Fiona Higgins of Glasgow City Council (**MF**, SV, HD)
e) **LA/E/4130**: Councillor Neil Ross and Councillor Marie-Clair Munro of City of Edinburgh Council (**LS**, HD, MF)
f) **NPA/LLT/4230**: Sid Perrie, Member of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority (**SV**, HD, MF)
g) **LA/S/4312**: Cllr Gerry McLaughlan of Stirling Council (**HD**, SV, LS)

16. THREE-MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS / INTERIM REPORT **SCS**

a) **LA/DG/4304**: Investigation re a Dumfries and Galloway Councillor – six-month progress report on investigation from ESC
b) **LA/Mi/4405**: Investigation re a Midlothian Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
c) **NHS/MiIJB/4415**: Investigation re a Midlothian IJB member – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
d) **LA/EL/4360**: Investigation re an East Lothian Councillor – six-month progress report on investigation from ESC
e) **LA/DG/4408**: Investigation re a Dumfries and Galloway Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
f) **LA/EA/4438**: Investigation re an East Ayrshire Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
g) **LA/SL/4470**: Investigation re a South Lanarkshire Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
h) **LA/As/4458**: Investigation re an Aberdeenshire Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
i) **NB/HES/4282**: Investigation re a former member of Historic Environment Scotland – nine-month progress report on investigation from ESC
j) **LA/AB/4265**: Investigation re an Argyll and Bute Councillor – nine-month progress report on investigation from ESC

k) **LA/H/4469**: Investigation re a Highland Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC
l) **LA/Fi/4293**: Investigation re a Fife Councillor – nine-month progress report on investigation from ESC
m) **LA/H/4991**: Investigation re a Highland Councillor – three-month progress report on investigation from ESC

17. FEEDBACK INCLUDING ANY HEARINGS SURVEY RESPONSES

Feedback received from UK Government Task and Finish Group **LJ**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

18.	**FOR DISCUSSION:**	Any ongoing appeal or judicial review proceedings (verbal)	**LJ**
		Any emerging risks (verbal)	SCS
		Agenda Items for next Meeting (verbal)	SCS
19.	**FOR INFORMATION:**	2026/27 Diary Dates – Meetings/Hearings/Events etc 2026/27 Workplan	**LJ**