

**At a meeting of the HEARING SUB-COMMITTEE of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE held in the CITY HALL, SUNDERLAND on THURSDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2022 at 10.30 am**

**Present:-**

Councillor P. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors Stewart and P. Wood

Mr Dennis Hall, (Independent Person).

**Also Present:-**

Mr Patrick Houghton, Senior Manager of Law and Governance, Corporate Services Directorate

Mr Paul Wood, Principal Governance Services Office, Law and Governance, Corporate Services Directorate

Mr David Kitson, Investigating Officer, Bevan Britton LLP

**Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence submitted to the meeting

**Declarations of Interest**

There were declarations of interest made.

**Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation Order) 2006**

The Sub-Committee considered whether to hold the hearing in public, mindful of the presumption set out in the Procedure for Hearing Complaints that hearings be held in public.

At the instance of the Chairman, it was:-

1. RESOLVED that in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation Order) 2006, the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it contains information relating to particular individuals or information which is likely to reveal the identity of individuals (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part 1, Paragraphs 1 and 2).

(Signed) P. GIBSON,  
Chairman.

**Note:-**

The above minute comprises only that relating to an item during which the meeting was open to members of the public.

Additional minutes in respect of other items are included in Part II.