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PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(7th Meeting)

(Business conducted by electronic mail)31st March 2021**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present.

Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier, Chair
 Senator T.A. Vallois, Vice-Chair
 Connétable A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier
 Connétable K. Shenton-Stone of St. Martin
 Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida of St. Lawrence

In attendance –

K. Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

- Commissioner for Standards – Report into a complaint against Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier
- A1. The Committee received and considered a report, prepared by the Commissioner for Standards (‘the Commissioner’) following his investigation into a potential breach of the Code of Conduct for Elected Members by Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier.
- The Committee noted that Deputy Gardiner had referred herself to the Commissioner following an exchange of corresponding between the Public Accounts Committee and the Chief Executive (Mr. C. Parker).
- Following his investigation, the Commissioner found that Deputy Gardiner had not breached the Code of Conduct and that the exchange of correspondence suggested a regrettable breakdown of constructive communication between the Public Accounts Committee and the Chief Executive. The Committee noted the findings of the Commissioner and agreed to publish the report, without appendices, after the same had been sent to Deputy Gardiner. It instructed the Principal Committee and Panel Officer to take the necessary action.
- Commissioner for Standards – Report into a complaint against Connétable R.A Buchanan of St. Ouen
- A2. The Committee received and considered a report, prepared by the Commissioner for Standards (‘the Commissioner’) following his investigation into a potential breach of the Code of Conduct for Elected Members by Connétable R.A Buchanan of St. Ouen.
- The Committee noted that Connétable Buchanan had referred himself to the Commissioner following media coverage related to electricity charges levied on tenants living in a property he jointly owned
- Following his investigation, the Commissioner found that Connétable Buchanan had not breached the Code of Conduct. The Commissioner commented that when Connétable Buchanan had been advised that his decision had breached the Residential

Tenancy Support of Services Order, he had corrected and refunded the overpayments to his tenants. The Committee noted the findings of the Commissioner and agreed to publish the report, without appendices, after the same had been sent to Connétable Buchanan. It instructed the Principal Committee and Panel Officer to take the necessary action.

Commissioner
for Standards –
Report into a
complaint
against Deputy
R.E Huelin of
St. Peter

A3. The Committee received and considered a report, prepared by the Commissioner for Standards ('the Commissioner') following his investigation into a potential breach of the Code of Conduct for Elected Members by Deputy R.E. Huelin of St. Peter.

The Committee noted that Deputy Huelin had referred himself to the Commissioner following media coverage related to electricity charges levied on tenants living in a property he owned.

Following his investigation, the Commissioner found that the Deputy had not breached the Code of Conduct. The Commissioner commented that Deputy Huelin had been responsible for a business decision which, when he was advised that it had breached the Residential Tenancy Support of Services Order, he corrected.

The Committee noted the findings of the Commissioner and agreed to publish the report, without appendices, after the same had been sent to Deputy Huelin. It instructed the Principal Committee and Panel Officer to take the necessary action