


**Meeting:** Democracy and Standards Committee  
**Date:** Monday 15th April, 2024  
**Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Venue:** Corby Cube, George Street, Corby, NN17 1QB

To members of the Democracy and Standards Committee:  
 Councillor Andy Mercer (Chair), Councillor Ian Jelley (Vice-Chair), Councillor Jean Addison, Councillor Wendy Brackenbury, Councillor Robin Carter, Councillor Melanie Coleman, Councillor Emily Fedorowycz, Councillor Matt Keane, Councillor Graham Lawman, Councillor Paul Marks, Councillor Dorothy Maxwell, Councillor Michael Tye and Vacancy.  
 (Substitutes: Cllrs Allebone, Armour, Bell, Bone, Buckingham, Dearing, Dell, Ekins, Irwin, Pandey, Powell, Watt and one vacancy.)

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<p>Sanjit Sull, Monitoring Officer            North Northamptonshire Council</p>  <b>Proper Officer</b> <b>Friday 5 April 2024</b>			

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