

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

**Friday 9th June 2006 at 10.30 am
in the Town Hall**

AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2006/07

The Chair of the Committee does not have to be a member of Council. The Committee may not be chaired by a member of the Executive.

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2006/07

The Vice-Chair of the Committee does not have to be a member of Council

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Council's Constitution does not permit substitutes.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Note (circulated, page 1) of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Guidance note (circulated page 2)

6. POWERS AND DUTIES

The Committee's powers and duties are set out at page 3.

The Monitoring Officer will, for the benefit of new members, provide an introduction to the Committee's work and responsibilities.

7. URGENT BUSINESS

Items of business notified to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services by no later than 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday 7th June 2006 and which, in the

opinion of the Chair should be considered by the Committee as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances.

8. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th April 2006 (circulated page 4)

9. COMPLAINTS MONITORING AND OVERSEEING

Report (circulated, page 8) of the Chief Executive.

10. MEMBER TRAINING

The Monitoring Officer will report upon the emerging member development programme and initiate discussion on the training/development needs of Standards Committee members.

11. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - REVIEW

Letter (circulated, page 20) from the Democratic Services Manager to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister in response to the ODPM Discussion Paper on Standards of Conduct in English Local Government.

12. STANDARDS COMMITTEES INDEPENDENT MEMBERS' FORUM

Notes (circulated, page) of the meeting held on 21st April 2006

13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Council has set the following dates for meetings of the Committee, all commencing at 10.30 a.m. in the Town Hall provided there is business to warrant holding a meeting:-

- Friday 8th September 2006
- Friday 1st December 2006
- Friday 9th April 2007

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