

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Friday 4th December 2009 at 9.30 a.m.
in the Town Hall

Members of the Standards Committee:-

City Councillors

Councillor Clark Brundin (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)
Councillor Stuart Craft (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)
Councillor Sushila Dhall (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)
Councillor Gill Sanders (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)
Councillor Val Smith (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)

Independent members

Chris Ballinger (until 30th November 2010)
Meryll Dean (until 30th November 2010)
Martin Gardner (until 30th November 2010)
Anne Gwinnett (until 31st May 2011)
John Lay (until May 2010 – Annual Meeting)

Parish Council representative

Fred Mogridge (until 30th November 2010)
One vacancy

NOTE: At the start of the meeting the Standards for England DVD 'Assessment Made Clear' will be shown.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Council's Constitution does not permit substitutes.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Guidance note.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee's meeting held on 2nd October 2009

4. PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

The Democratic Services Manager will report.

5. STANDARDS FOR ENGLAND ASSEMBLY 2009

The Council's attendees will report orally. Members may wish to look at the Standards for England website where Assembly papers are available.

6. ETHICAL GOVERNANCE – MEETING WITH LEADER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Report of the Head of Law and Governance on the meeting held on 27th October 2009

7. COMPLAINTS MONITORING

Report of the Chief Executive

8. TRAINING PLAN

The Head of Law and Governance will report orally

9. CODE OF CONDUCT AND OTHER TRAINING FOR MEMBERS

Report (page 29) of the Head of Law and Governance

10. ASSESSMENT PANELS - ANALYSIS

Report (page 31) of the Head of Law and Governance

11. COMMITTEE EFFECTIVENESS AND PROFILE

Report (page 36) of the Head of Law and Governance

12. PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

The Democratic Services Manager will report orally.

13. STANDARDS FOR ENGLAND – ANNUAL REPORT 2008-09

14. STANDARDS FOR ENGLAND PUBLICATIONS

Standards for England has recently published guidance on:-

- Personal and prejudicial interests
- Lobbying
- Bullying and the Code of Conduct.

The guidance is circulated at page 104 for the Committee's information. It will be disseminated to members of Council.

15. AJUDICATION PANEL FOR ENGLAND

Letter from the Tribunals Service. The Head of Law and Governance will report.

16. INDEPENDENT MEMBERS' FORUM MATTERS

The Chair of the Committee and the Democratic Services Manager to report as and if appropriate.

17. DATE OF NEXT ORDINARY MEETING

Friday 5th March 2010 at 3.00 pm.

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