

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on
Wednesday, 16th February, 2011
at 10.00 am

MEMBERSHIP

Independent Members

Gordon Tollefson (Chair)	(Independent Member)
Joanne Austin	(Independent Member)
Rosemary Greaves	(Independent Member)
Philip Turnpenny	(Independent Member)

Councillors

C Campbell
JL Carter
E Nash
RD Feldman
R Gettings
J Harper
B Selby

Parish Members

Councillor Mrs P Walker	Pool in Wharfedale Parish Council
Councillor John C Priestley	East Keswick Parish Council
Councillor Paul Cook	Morley Town Council

A G E N D A

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1			<p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded)</p> <p>(*In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Chief Democratic Services Officer at least 24 hours before the meeting)</p>	
2			<p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:-</p>	

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3			<p>LATE ITEMS</p> <p>To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration</p> <p>(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)</p>	
4			<p>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</p> <p>To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members' Code of Conduct</p>	
5			<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>To approve the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 13th July 2010.</p>	1 - 8
6			<p>MINUTES OF THE ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE</p> <p>To note the minutes of the Assessment Sub-Committee meeting held on 13th December 2010.</p>	9 - 10
7			<p>MINUTES OF THE CONSIDERATION SUB-COMMITTEE</p> <p>To note the minutes of the Consideration Sub-Committee meetings held on 29th June and 13th December 2010.</p>	11 - 14
8			<p>MINUTES OF THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE</p> <p>To note the minutes of the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee meetings held on 30th June, 29th July, 29th September, 15th November, 14th December 2010 and 24th January 2011.</p>	15 - 44

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9			<p>OFFICER/EMPLOYEE CODE OF CONDUCT</p> <p>To receive a report of the Chief Officer (Human Resources) providing an update to the Standards Committee on work which has taken place, and is taking place, around the Code of Conduct which applies to staff.</p>	45 - 70
10			<p>ETHICAL AUDIT ACTION PLAN: HR ISSUES UPDATE</p> <p>To receive a report of the Chief Officer (Human Resources) providing a final update to the Committee on the actions assigned to the Chief Officer (Human Resources) as a result of the Ethical Audits in 2006 and 2007.</p>	71 - 80
11			<p>IMPLICATIONS OF THE LOCALISM BILL FOR THE ETHICAL FRAMEWORK IN LEEDS</p> <p>To receive a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) briefing Members of the Standards Committee on the aspects of the Localism Bill which relate to the Council's ethical governance arrangements, specifically the Members' Code of Conduct, Standards Committee, and local assessment arrangements.</p>	81 - 92
12			<p>STANDARDS COMMITTEE - INTERIM ANNUAL REPORT</p> <p>To receive a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) providing members of the Standards Committee with performance information regarding the Standards Committee's activities during the 2010/11 municipal year.</p>	93 - 104

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13			<p>ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER</p> <p>To receive a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) presenting the Monitoring Officer's Annual Report which is required under paragraph 5 of the Monitoring Officer Protocol.</p>	105 - 114
14			<p>STANDARDS COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>To receive a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) outlining the contents of the draft work programme for the remainder of the 2010/11 municipal year.</p>	115 - 118