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Report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services

Standards Committee

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Subject: Standards Committee Independent Members' Regional Forum (Yorkshire and Humberside) - 24th October 2006

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
	Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 This report provides Members of the Committee with details of the most recent meeting the Independent Members' Regional Forum and the matters discussed.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 The latest Standards Committee Independent Members' Regional Forum (Yorkshire and Humberside) took place on 24th October 2006 in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall in Hull. The minutes of the meeting are attached as Appendix A to this report for the Committee's information.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Members of the Forum discussed the Fifth Annual Assembly of Standards Committees (Item 11 of the agenda), and the inaugural meeting of the new Association of Independent Members of Standards Committees in England (AIMScE). Members also discussed the future chairing and administration arrangements for the Forum, as this was the last meeting which would be serviced by Leeds City Council.

4.0 Recommendations

4.1 Members of the Committee are requested to note the minutes of the Regional Forum.