

Decision Summary

Committee: Standards Committee
Date: 24 February 2009
Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside
Tel: 01484 221000

Chair

David Paul Sheard

Councillors Attended

Christine M L Smith, Ken Smith

Co-opted Members

Mr D J Binns (Independent Member)
Councillor J Nottingham (Mirfield Parish Council)
Mr P Blythe (Chair) (Independent Member)
Councillor C Kaye (Holme Valley Parish Council)

1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 January 2009.

Decision: Approved as a correct record.

2. Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda about which they might have a personal interest which prevents them from taking part in the discussions. They could be financial or some other reason. A form is attached for completion by Councillors if they have an interest in any of the items to be discussed at the meeting. Please complete this form and return it to the Committee Officer at the end of the meeting.

Decision: No interests were declared.

3. Admission of the public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

Decision: Determined.

4. Deputations / Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public.

A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

Decision: None received.

5. Public question time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Decision: No questions were asked.

6. Presentation - Corporate Standards

To receive a presentation on the complaints process within the Council, the role of the Local Government Ombudsman and complaints under the Member Code of Conduct.

Contact: Chris Read 01484 221362

Decision: That the presentation be noted.

7. Update on Received Complaints

To receive a verbal update from the Monitoring Officer.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221720

Decision: That the update be noted.

8. Standards Board for England Case Summaries

To receive information on case summaries published by the Standards Board for England.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: That the report be noted.

9. Terms of Reference - Review of Local Determination

To consider the Terms of Reference for a review into the system of local determination of complaints.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: (1) That the report be noted and agreed.
(2) That the Head of Legal Services take action to establish a Panel to conduct the review.