

Decision Summary

Committee: Standards Committee
Date: 2 June 2009
Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside
Tel: 01484 221000

Chair

David Paul Sheard

Councillors Attended

Derek John Hardcastle, Nigel Patrick, David Ridgway, Christine M L Smith

Co-opted Members

Mr P Blythe (Chair) (Independent Member)
Mr D J Binns (Independent Member)
Councillor M Barlow (Denby Dale Parish Council)
Rev M Roberts (Independent Member)
Prof A Kitson (Independent Member)
Councillor P Cunnington (Kirkburton Parish Council)

1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 7 April 2009.

Decision: That the Minutes of the meeting be 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: No deputations or petitions were received.

5. Public question time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Decision: No questions were asked.

6. Nomination of Spokesperson

To nominate a spokesperson (elected member) who will respond to any questions relating to Standards matters at meetings of Council.

Contact: Andrea Woodside 01484 221715

Decision: That Councillor Christine Smith be nominated as spokesperson.

7. Update on Complaints

To receive an update on complaints received.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: That the update report be noted.

8. Outcome of the Review of Local Determination

To consider the outcome of the Review of Local Determination.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: (1) That the report be noted.
(2) That minor changes be made to the draft information leaflet on 'Complaining About Behaviour'.

9. Annual Report

To receive the Annual Report of Standards Committee.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: That the Annual Report be received and noted.

10. Regional Standards Conference

To consider attendance at the West Yorkshire Regional Standards Conference.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the payment of attendance allowance in respect of the Conference be approved.

11. Case Summaries - Standards Board for England

To receive details of recent decisions of the Standards Board for England.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: That the report be noted.

12. Training Plan

To consider a Training Plan for the forthcoming year.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: That the detail of the proposed Training Plan be noted.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on 28 July 2009 at 3.00 pm.

Decision: Noted.