

Decision Summary

Committee: Standards Committee
Date: 28 July 2009
Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside
Tel: 01484 221000

Chair

David Paul Sheard

Councillors Attended

Derek John Hardcastle, Nigel Patrick, David Ridgway, Ken Smith

Co-opted Members

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

1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 2 June 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: The Committee received a deputation from Mr S Bradbury.

5. Public question time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Decision: No questions were asked.

6. Update on Complaints

To receive a verbal update on the complaints received.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: The update on complaints was received and noted.

7. Other Action - When is it Appropriate?

To consider guidance issued by Standards for England and to determine criteria for when action should be taken.

Contact: Susan Betteridge 01484 221362

Decision: (1) That the report be noted.
(2) That the alterations to the assessment criteria, as detailed within the minutes of the meeting, be approved.

8. Standards Committee Leaflet

To seek approval for amendments to the leaflet.

Contact: Dermot Pearson 01484 221437

Decision: That the amendments be noted and that further suggestions for alteration, as indicated at the meeting, be incorporated.

9. Summary of Adjudication Panel for England Decision

To receive the report.

Contact: Dermot Pearson 01484 221437

Decision: That the report be noted.

10. Granting of Dispensations

To consider the report.

Contact: Dermot Pearson 01484 221437

Decision: (1) That the report be noted and circulated to all members.
(2) That a further report, setting out details of guidance be submitted to a future meeting.