# **Decision Summary**

Committee: Standards Committee

Date: 7 December 2010

Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside

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#### Chair

Mr P Blythe (Independent Member) (in the Chair)

#### **Councillors Attended**

Derek John Hardcastle, Nigel Patrick, David Ridgway, Christine M L Smith, Ken Smith, Mohan S Sokhal

### **Co-opted Members**

Mr D J Binns (Independent Member)
Councillor C Kaye (Holme Valley Parish Council)
Councillor P Cunnington (Kirkburton Parish Council)
Prof A Kitson (Independent Member)
Mr R Helm (Independent Member)
Mrs J Gregory (Independent Member)

### 1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 12 October 2010 as a correct record.

**Decision:** Approved.

#### 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:** None 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. Update on Complaints

To receive a verbal update from the Monitoring Officer.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221720

**Decision:** (1) That the complaints update be noted.

(2) That the Acting Assistant Director - Legal and Governance be asked to progress discussions with Senior Members as to the future of Standards issues within the Authority.

(3) That the Standards for England update, dated 30 November 2010, be circulated to all Councillors, relevant Cooptees and Parish Council Clerks.

# 7. Recent Work Undertaken by Standards Committee

To note the report.

**Contact:** Dermot Pearson 01484 221437

**Decision:** That the update report be noted.

#### 8. Partnership Behaviour Protocol

To consider referral of the protocol to Corporate Governance and Audit Committee for subsequent recommendation to Council for adoption.

Contact: Dermot Pearson 01484 221437

**Decision:** That the Partnership Behaviour Protocol be referred to

Corporate Governance and Audit Committee for comment.

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