

Decision Summary

Committee: Standards Committee
Date: 18 July 2011
Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside
Tel: 01484 221000

Chair

Mr P Blythe (Independent Member)

Councillors Attended

David Ridgway, Christine M L Smith, Ken Smith

Co-opted Members

Councillor T Bellamy (Holme Valley Parish Council)
Councillor P Cunnington (Kirkburton Parish Council)
Prof A Kitson (Independent Member)

1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 March 2011.

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. Appointment of Spokesperson

To consider the nomination of an Elected Member to act as spokesperson of the Committee.

Contact: Andrea Woodside 01484 221715

Decision: That Councillor C Smith be appointed as the Elected Member to act as spokesperson for the Standards Committee for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.

7. Update on Complaints

To receive a verbal update from the Monitoring Officer.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221437

Decision:

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That, if possible, amendments to the notification process be introduced as discussed.
- (3) That further information be provided on the proposed process for progressing the outstanding complaints.

8. Chair of Standards Committee - Annual Report

To receive the Annual Report.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221437

Decision: That the Chair's Annual Report be amended to include further information relating to complaints submitted during the 2010/2011 Municipal Year, prior to its submission to Council.

9. Discussion : Case Study - Bristol City Council

To consider details of the investigation.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221437

Decision: That the details of the Cast Study be noted.

10. Dates of Future Meetings

Tuesday 13 September 2011 - 3.00 pm

Monday 7 November 2011 - 3.00 pm

Monday 9 January 2012 - 3.00 pm

Monday 5 March 2012 - 3.00 pm

Monday 14 May 2012 - 3.00 pm

Decision: Noted.