

NOTICE OF MEETING

Standards Committee

THURSDAY, 14TH JANUARY, 2010 at 19:30 HRS – CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, LONDON N22

COUNCIL Diakides, Dodds, Lister, Santry, Reid, Whyte, Williams and Winskill MEMBERS:

INDEPENDEN Mr J. Batterham, Ms R. Chambers, Mr R. Lovegrove, Ms A. Loyd (Vice T MEMBERS: Chair) and Ms C. Sykes (Chair)

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of urgent business. Late items will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items will be dealt with at items 11 & 15.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgment of the public interest **and** if this interest affects their financial position or the financial position of a person or body as described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct **and/or** if it relates to the determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to them or any person or body described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct.

4. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING (PAGES 1 - 14)

To confirm and sign the unrestricted minutes of the meetings of the Standards Committee held on 2 July 2009, 4 August 2009 (special) and 9 September 2009 (Special).

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. MONITORING OFFICER'S REPORT ON REFERRALS RECEIVED FROM THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND

To consider any referrals received from the Standards Board for England.

7. DETERMINATION HEARINGS (PAGES 15 - 44)

Report of the Monitoring Officer - To consider the outcomes of recently held Haringey Council Determination Hearings held on 21, and 22 October 2009, and 2 December 2009.

8. RECRUITMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE (PAGES 45 - 62)

Report of the Monitoring Officer - To note progress of the recruitment process for an Independent Member of the Standards Committee to take office from May 2010 in accordance with the requirements in the Local Government Act 2000 and the Relevant Authorities (Standards Committee) Regulations 2001.

9. ETHICAL CONDUCT TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR MEMBERS OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND OTHER ELECTED MEMBERS (PAGES 63 - 70)

Report of the Monitoring Officer - To present proposals to the Standards Committee for further training of Standards Committee Members and to outline a training programme for all elected Members on Ethical Conduct and Governance matters in 2010/11.

10. ENHANCING ETHICAL GOVERNANCE AND RAISING THE PROFILE OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE (PAGES 71 - 76)

Report of the Monitoring Officer – To consider steps that the Standards Committee may take to raise the profile of ethical standards and that of the Committee itself in Haringey.

11. NEW ITEMS OF UNRESTRICTED URGENT BUSINESS

12. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The following item is likely to be subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contains exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972; namely information relating to any individual, and information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual; and also in accordance with the Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 (regulation 5), and Section 53 of the Local Government Act 2000.

13. EXEMPT MINUTES (PAGES 77 - 106)

- i. To confirm and sign the exempt minutes of the meetings of the Standards Committee held on 2 July 2009, 4 August 2009 (special) and 9 September 2009 (Special).
- ii. To receive the minutes of the Standards Assessment Sub-Committees held on 7 July, 1 October, and 12 October 2009; and
- iii. To receive the minutes of the Standards Review Sub-Committee held on 6 July 2009.

14. CONSIDERATION OF THE OUTCOME OF AN INVESTIGATION RESULTING FROM THE DETERMINATION OF THE STANDARDS ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE SC4/089 (PAGES 107 - 110)

Report of the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer - To advise the Committee of the outcome of an investigation in respect of a Standards Assessment Sub-Committee complaint referral :

Complaint SC4/089

N.B. Members of the Standards Committee are asked to bring with them the appended exempt documents circulated with the covering report to agenda item 14 of the meeting of the Standards Committee of 21 December 2009 which was cancelled.

The documents are the exact same as those referred to in the attached covering report, and are not being re-circulated in the interest of economy savings.

15. NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8 April 2010

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