

COUNCIL MEETING – 18 JANUARY 2010

**LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

**The Chief Executive**

Madam Mayor, there are two late item of business, which could not be available earlier, and which will need to be dealt with at this meeting. The reasons for lateness and urgency are given in each of the reports laid round.

**Item 7 – Report of the Monitoring Officer and head of Legal Services**

The Standards Committee met after the despatch of the agenda for this meeting. The Standards Committee met on 14 January 2010 and recommended changes to the Council's Constitution by agreeing to an increase in its independent membership by 1 independent member, making 6 in total, and that the increase be appointed to as part of recruitment process embarked upon for an exisiting vacancy.

**Item 11 – Questions and Written Answers**

Notice of questions is not requested until 8 clear days before the meeting, following which the matters raised have to be researched and replies prepared to be given at the meeting.