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## Are you interested in promoting high ethical standards in Haringey Council?

Haringey Council Standards Committee promotes and maintains high standards of conduct for your local councillors. There are eight councillors and four independent members of the public on the Standards Committee. We need to recruit an independent member to sit on our Standards Committee for 4 years from May 2008.

We are looking for volunteers who:

- are independent of any political party and local government
- are familiar with ethical dilemmas
- have good analytical, questioning and interpersonal skills
- have a genuine interest in local government

You cannot become an independent member of Haringey Council's Standards Committee if you:

- have been a member or employee of a local Council within the last 5 years
- are a relative or close friend of a member or employee of a local Council
- have a criminal conviction which is not spent
- are an undischarged bankrupt

There are currently four Standards Committee meetings a year, one every three months. These take place in the evenings in Haringey Civic Centre. In addition a Standards Sub-Committee sits when necessary to determine the outcome of a complaint against a councillor. These hearings take place during the day and normally only last for one day. Training for independent members is provided.

Independent members receive a small allowance of £250 a year and may be eligible for a baby sitting or dependants allowance.

If you would like to have an informal discussion about this role, please contact John Suddaby, the Councils' Acting Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer, on Tel. 0208 489 3974, email: <a href="mailto:john.suddaby@haringey.gov.uk">john.suddaby@haringey.gov.uk</a>. To receive an application form and information pack please contact Zoe Knight on Tel. 0208 489 5934, email: Zoe.Knight@haringey.gov.uk.

The closing date for applications is Monday February 25<sup>th</sup> 2008 at 5pm.