

# A G E N D A

## Standards Committee

Date: **Friday, 3rd December, 2004**

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Time: **3.00 p.m.**

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Place: **Council Chamber, Brockington, 35  
Hafod Road, Hereford**

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Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of  
the meeting.

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**County of Herefordshire  
District Council**



# AGENDA

## for the Meeting of the Standards Committee

To: Robert Rogers (Independent Member)(Chairman)

Councillors J.W. Edwards and P.E. Harling  
 David Stevens (Independent Member)  
 Richard Gething (Parish Council Representative)  
 John Hardwick (Parish Council Representative)

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1. <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> To receive apologies for absence.	
2. <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
3. <b>MINUTES</b> To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 15th October, 2004.	1 - 6
4. <b>STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2003-04</b> To review the work undertaken by the Standards Committee during 2003-04 with a view to the possible publication of an Annual Report. <i>To follow</i>  <b>Wards: County-wide</b>	
5. <b>APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS RECEIVED FROM TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILLORS</b> To consider the attached report on applications for dispensation received from Bartestree with Lugwardine Group Parish Council, and any other Town and Parish Councils.  <b>Wards: County-wide</b>	7 - 8
6. <b>THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000</b> To consider the attached report on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and its potential impact on the Standards Committee.  <b>Wards: County-wide</b>	9 - 12
7. <b>TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT</b> To receive a verbal report about appropriate training for Members of the Committee.  <b>Wards: County-wide</b>	
8. <b>SELECT COMMITTEE EVIDENCE</b>	

To note the written evidence to the Select Committee investigating the role and effectiveness of the Standards Board for England.

**Wards: County-wide**

**9. PUBLIC INTEREST REPORT - KINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**

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To consider the Public Interest Report recently published by the District Auditor concerning Kington Town Council.

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**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To consider the date of the next meeting.

**EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

In the opinion of the Proper Officer, the next item will not be, or is likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time it is considered.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as indicated below.

**11. DETERMINATIONS BY THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND**

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To update the Committee on determinations by the Standards Board for England in 2004 concerning the County.

**Wards: County-wide**

**NOT FOR PUBLICATION – This item discloses information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (other than the Authority).**

**12. LOCAL DETERMINATION OF COMPLAINTS**

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To advise the Committee of arrangements for a hearing in respect of an investigation under the Local Government Act (Code of Conduct) (Local Determinations) Regulations 2003, regarding a complaint referred to the Committee for adjudication, by the Standards Board for England.

**Wards: County-wide**

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