

Standards Committee

Date: Friday, 15th October, 2004

Time: 2.00 p.m.

Place: Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford

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

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AGENDA

for the Meeting of the Standards Committee

To: Robert Rogers (Independent Member)(Chairman)
Councillors John Edwards and Peter Harling
David Stevens (Independent Member)
Richard Gething (Parish Council Representative)
John Hardwick (Parish Council Representative)

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1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	To receive apologies for absence.	
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
3.	MINUTES	1 - 6
	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July, 2004	
4 .	PROTOCOL ON THE USE OF COUNCIL RESOURCES	7 - 16
	To consider a suggested protocol to guide members in their use of council resources.	
	Wards: County-wide	
5.	PLANNING CODE OF CONDUCT REVISIONS	17 - 18
	To review the Planning Code of Conduct in the light of recent case law and advice from the Standards Board for England.	
	Wards: County-wide	
6.	APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS RECEIVED FROM TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILLORS	19 - 20

To consider any applications for dispensation received from Town and Parish Councils.

Wards: County-wide

7. THIRD ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF STANDARDS COMMITTEES

To note issues arising from the Third Annual assembly of Standards Committees held in September, 2004.

Wards: County-wide

8. INQUIRY INTO THE ROLE AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND

To note that the ODPM Housing, Planning, Local Government and the Regions Committee has resolved to carry out an inquiry into the role and effectiveness of the SBE and has invited written evidence by 29th October, 2004.

Wards: County-wide

9. CASE REVIEWS - STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND

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To inform the Standards Committee of the outcome of recent hearings at the Adjudication Panel for England (APE) and local Standards Committees.

Wards: County-wide

10. COMMITTEE DATES FOR 2004/05

To note the following dates schedule for the remainder of the municipal year. Additional dates may be necessary to deal with any cases that are referred to the Committee by the Standards Board for England for investigation:-

3 December 2004 18 February 2005

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 2004

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

This item discloses information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (other than the Authority).