

A G E N D A

Standards Committee

Date: **Monday, 12th February, 2007**

Time: **10.30 a.m.**

Place: **Committee Room 1, Shire Hall,
Hereford**

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 John Edwards and John Stone

David Stevens (Independent Member)

Richard Gething (Parish and Town Council Representative)

John Hardwick (Parish and Town Council Representative)

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<p>1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>To receive apologies for absence.</p>	
<p>2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>To receive any declarations of interest by members in respect of items on the agenda.</p>	
<p>3. MINUTES</p> <p>To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2007.</p>	5 - 12
<p>4. CONSULTATION ON AMENDMENTS TO THE MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT</p> <p>To respond to the attached consultation on the revised Code of Conduct for Local Authority Members.</p> <p>Wards: County Wide</p>	13 - 50
<p>5. CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE</p> <p>To consider and approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Code of Corporate Governance, as revised by the Standards Committee, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, and the Head of Communications (<i>document to follow</i>); • The attached report and Foreword to the Code of Corporate Governance. <p>Wards: County Wide</p>	51 - 54
<p>6. COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS</p> <p>To consider the attached draft communications protocol for Herefordshire Council.</p> <p>Wards: County Wide</p>	55 - 62
<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS</p> <p>In the opinion of the Proper Officer, the following items will not be, or are likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time they are considered.</p>	

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

7. INDUCTION REVIEW GROUP

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To consider the work undertaken by the Induction Review Group, and the Standards Committee's contribution to the 2007 Members' Induction Programme.

Wards: County Wide

This item discloses information which is subject to an obligation or confidentiality.

8. DETERMINATIONS BY THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND

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To update the Committee about determinations by the Standards Board for England concerning Herefordshire.

Wards: County Wide

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9. REFERRALS TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE FROM THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND

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To note progress with SBE Complaint No. 15104.06; and

To consider the attached report into SBE Complaint No.s 17223.07 to 177229.07.

Wards: County Wide

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