

# Standards Committee

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

**Thursday, 11th December  
2008**

In Committee Room 2, Town Hall, Chorley

At 2.00 pm



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2 December 2008

Dear Councillor/Colleague,

## **STANDARDS COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 11TH DECEMBER 2008**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Standards Committee to be held in Committee Room 2, Town Hall, Chorley on Thursday, 11th December 2008 commencing at 2.00 pm.

### **AGENDA**

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the interest arises **only** as result of your membership of another public body or one to which you have been appointed by the Council then you only need to declare it if you intend to speak.

If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, you must withdraw from the meeting. Normally you should leave the room before the business starts to be discussed. You do, however, have the same right to speak as a member of the public and may remain in the room to enable you to exercise that right and then leave immediately. In either case you must not seek to improperly influence a decision on the matter.

3. **Minutes (Pages 1 - 4)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 18 September 2008 (enclosed).

4. **News from the Standards Board (Pages 5 - 6)**

The Monitoring Officer will present a verbal update.

The report of the Chair on the Annual Assembly is enclosed.

5. **Cases considered by the Adjudication Panel for England (Pages 7 - 32)**

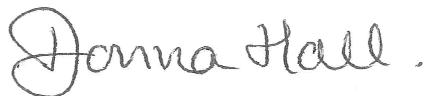
To receive the report of the Monitoring Officer.

6. **Feedback from visits to Parish Councils (Pages 33 - 34)**

Members of the Committee will give feedback on their visits to Parish Councils.

7. **Work undertaken to promote the Code of Conduct**  
The Monitoring Officer will present a verbal update.
8. **Update on the recruitment of additional members of the Standards Committee (Pages 35 - 40)**  
To consider the report of the Monitoring Officer.
9. **Real people, real power Codes of conduct for local authority members and employees (Pages 41 - 50)**  
The Committee will consider and respond to a consultation document from the Departments of Communities and Local Government.
10. **Protocol on Member-Officer Relations (Pages 51 - 54)**  
The Committee will consider the current Member Officer protocol and recommend any revisions required.
11. **Standards Committee Work Programme (Pages 55 - 56)**  
The Committee will consider the Work Programme for 2008 (enclosed).
12. **Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent**

Yours sincerely



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2. Agenda and reports to Andrew Docherty (Director of Governance - Monitoring Officer), Carol Russell (Head of Democratic Services) and Ruth Hawes (Assistant Democratic Services Officer) for attendance.
3. Agenda and reports to Alan Cornwell (Reserve Parish Council Member) for attendance.

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