



# Standards Sub-Committee (Hearing)

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

**Friday, 2nd March 2012**

In Committee Room 2, Town Hall, Chorley

At 10.00 am

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Dear Councillor/Colleague,

## **STANDARDS SUB-COMMITTEE (HEARING) - FRIDAY, 2ND MARCH 2012**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Standards Sub-Committee (Hearing) to be held in Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Chorley on Friday, 2nd March 2012 commencing at 10.00 am.

### **AGENDA**

1. **Welcome and Introductions by the Chairperson**
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. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

To consider the exclusion of the press and public for the following items of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7c of Part 1-3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008.

4. **Report into Alleged Breaches of the Code of Conduct (Pages 1 - 38)**

To consider and determine the report of an investigation under Section 59 of the Local Government Act 2000 into an allegation concerning a Member of Chorley Council.

The report of the Investigating Officer and prehearing summary is enclosed.

A hearing procedure and guidance, produced by the Standards for England, entitled "Standards Committee Determinations" is also enclosed. Please refer to page 6 onwards.

- a) **Findings of fact** (Pages 39 - 80)

To make the findings of fact.

b) Breach of the Code of Conduct

To determine whether there has been a breach of the Code of Conduct.

c) Decision of the Committee

To confirm the decision of the Standards Sub-Committee (Hearing).

Yours sincerely



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3. Agenda and reports to Chris Moister (Head of Governance), Alex Jackson (Senior Lawyer) and Dianne Scambler (Democratic and Member Services Officer) for attendance.

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