



**Meeting:** Standards Committee

**Place:** County Hall, Trowbridge

**Committee Room:** Willow Room, Conference and Development Centre

**Date:** Thursday 24 July 2003

Time: 2pm

PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

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Members are reminded of the need to consider whether they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest to declare in any of the matters on this agenda.

## **PART I**

## Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

- 1. **Membership** The Director of Corporate Services will report.
- 2. **Attendance of Non-Members of the Committee** The Director of Corporate Services will report.
- 3. Apologies
- 4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** To confirm and sign the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 24 June 2003 (previously circulated).
- 5. Chairman's Announcements
- 6. **Public Participation** To receive any questions or statements from members of the public. Written notice of questions or statements should be given to the Director of Corporate Services by 12.00 noon on Tuesday 22 July 2003. A maximum of 15 minutes is allowed for this item and individual speakers are limited to two minutes.
- 7. **Review of the Constitution** The Monitoring Officer will report on the Council's consideration of this item. A copy of the motion that was agreed by the Council is attached for information. Members will also be asked to consider the arrangements for substitute members on Committees.

- 8. **Local Determination of Misconduct Allegations** The Monitoring Officer will report on the attached Standards Board's Guidance on Standards Committee determinations, which has just been published. It has not been possible in the short time available since publication to assess and prepare a written report on the content. Members will, however, have the opportunity to discuss the guidance at the meeting and consider arrangements for training.
- 9. **Annual Report** To consider further the content and preparation of the Standards Committee's Annual Report.
- 11. **Urgent Items** Any other items of business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency. Urgent items of a confidential nature may be considered under Part II of this agenda.

## **PART II**

Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

**NONE**