

AGENDA

Meeting: STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Place: County Hall, Trowbridge

Committee Room: 5

Date: Thursday 2 December 2004

Time: 3pm

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Membership:

County Councillors

Mr PCB Coleman
Mrs P Rugg

Independent Co-opted Members

Mr R Tickell (Chairman)
Mr P McGuigan (Vice Chairman)
Mr A Gooch
Ms C O'Sullivan

PART I

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

1. **Apologies**
2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** To receive the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 7 October 2004 (previously circulated).
3. **Chairman's Announcements**
4. **Members' Interests** To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.
5. **Public Participation** The County Council welcomes contributions from members of the public. This meeting is open to members of the public who may ask a question or make a statement. Written notice of questions or statements should be given to the Deputy Chief Executive by 12.00 noon on Tuesday 30 November 2004. Speakers are limited to two minutes.
6. **Independent Members' Forum 15 October 2004** A report by the Vice-Chairman is circulated.
7. **CIPFA Better Governance Forum Ethical Standards 15 November 2004** Ms O'Sullivan and Mr Gooch to report.
8. **Ethical Governance Framework** To discuss the Committee's priorities for inclusion in the ethical governance implementation plan. A copy of the Code of Ethical Governance is circulated.
9. **Annual Report** To discuss the Standards Committee Annual Report. A copy of the draft report will be circulated to members of the Committee only.

URGENT ITEMS

Any other items of business, which the Chairman wishes to consider as a matter of urgency.

10. **Exclusion of the Public** To consider passing the following resolution:

To agree that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in Item Nos. 12 and 13 because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 4 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

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

11. **Local Settlement of Ombudsman Complaint** A report by the Monitoring Officer is circulated.
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