

AGENDA

Meeting: STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Place: Council Chamber - Council Offices, Browfort, Devizes

Date: Wednesday 23 November 2011

Time: 2.00 pm

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Membership:

Wiltshire Council Members

Cllr Nigel Carter, Cllr Ernie Clark, Cllr Peter Fuller, Cllr Julian Johnson, Cllr Howard Marshall and Cllr Ian McLennan

Town/Parish Council Co-opted Members

Mr William Bailey, Mr Craig McCallum, Mr Paul Neale, Mr Robert Oglesby JP, Mr John Scragg, Miss Pam Turner, Mr Keith Wallace and His Hon David MacLaren Webster QC

Independent Co-opted Members

Mrs Jane Bayley, Mr Michael Cronin, Mr Philip Gill MBE JP, Mrs Isabel McCord (Chairman), Mr Stuart Middleton and Mr Gerry Robson OBE (Vice Chairman)

Part 1

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

Apologies

2. Minutes of previous meeting (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 21 September (copy attached).

3. Chairman's announcements

4. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests.

5. Public Participation and Questions from Committee Members.

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

Statements

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item. Please contact the officer named on the front of the agenda for any further clarification.

Questions

To receive any questions from members of the public or members of the Council received in accordance with the constitution. Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the front of the agenda (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) no later than 5pm on Wednesday 16 November 2011. Please contact the officer named on the front of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

6. Report to Standards on Localism Bill (Pages 5 - 12)

To consider a report from the Monitoring Officer.

7. Report on Behaviours Framework (Pages 13 - 26)

To consider a report from the Monitoring Officer.

8. Report on Corporate Complaints (Pages 27 - 28)

To consider the report by the Monitoring Officer.

9. Standards Committee Plan (Pages 29 - 32)

To consider the Standards Committee Plan.

10. Status Report on Complaints made under the Code of Conduct (Pages 33 - 38)

To consider the Status Report on Complaints.

11. Outcome of two Standards Hearing Sub Committees

Reports to follow.

12. **Forward Plan** (*Pages 39 - 40*)

To consider the Forward Work Plan.

13. Urgent Items

Any other items of business, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be taken as a matter of urgency. Urgent items of a confidential nature may be considered under Part II of this agenda.

Part II

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