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AGENDA

Meeting:	STANDARDS COMMITTEE
Place:	Council Chamber - Council Offices, Browfort, Devizes
Date:	Wednesday 25 January 2012
Time:	<u>2.30 pm</u>

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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)

<u>Part 1</u>

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

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of previous meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 23 November 2011 (copy attached).

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests.

4. Chairman's announcements

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 no later than 5pm on Wednesday 18 January 2012. 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. Acceptable Usage policy - for email, Internet and computer use (Pages 7 - 18)

A report referred by the Staffing Policy Committee is attached.

7. Framework for the new Code of Conduct

To follow

8. Minutes of the meeting of the Focus Group on the Review of the Constitution held on 16 January 2012

To follow

9. Status Report on Complaints made under the Code of Conduct (Pages 19 - 24)

To consider the attached report

10. Minutes of Sub Committees (Pages 25 - 28)

The Committee is asked to receive and note the minutes of the following Sub-Committee:

Dispensations Sub Committee – 20 December 2011

11. **Forward Plan** (Pages 29 - 30)

12. 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

None