

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2004

TIME: 5.30 PM

PLACE: COMMITTEE ROOM 3, 'B' BLOCK, NEW WALK CENTRE,

KING STREET, LEICESTER

Members of the Committee

Councillors Coley, Draycott, and O'Brien Ms. Jill Bellingham (Independent Member) Mrs. Caroline Roberts (Independent Member)

Members of the Committee are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

for Town Clerk

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PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30 June 2004 area attached and it is requested that they be confirmed as a correct record.

3. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Appendix B

The Director of Resources, Access and Diversity submits a report that will enable the Committee to be aware of, and engage in the Authority's Corporate Governance arrangements.

4. POLITICAL CONVENTIONS

Appendix C

The Town Clerk submits a report that seeks recommendations for the Council on unresolved issues relating to the Council's Political Conventions, as set out in the schedule appended to the report.

5. ODPM CONSULTATION: 1) DRAFT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES 2) A REVIEW OF RESTRICTIONS ON THE POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF LOCAL AUTHORITY EMPLOYEES AND PAY OF POLITICAL ASSISTANTS

Appendix D

The Town Clerk submits a report that seeks the views of the Committee on the two consultation documents produced by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

6. COMPLAINTS AGAINST ELECTED MEMBERS

The Town Clerk to brief Members on the current number and nature of complaints against Elected Members.

7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS