



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE: THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 2008

TIME: 5.30 PM

**PLACE: OAK ROOM, TOWN HALL, TOWN HALL SQUARE,
LEICESTER**

Members of the Committee

Mrs. Sheila Brucciani (Independent Member) (Chair)

Councillors Coley, Draycott, Mugglestone

Independent Members: Kate Mcleod and Mary Ray

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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AGENDA

1. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. 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.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING **Appendix A**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 21 November 2008 are attached and the Committee is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

5. STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND (SBE) - BULLETINS 36 AND 37 **Appendix B**

The Town Clerk and Corporate Director submits a report giving details of the recent Standards Board for England bulletins. The Committee is requested to note the report and use the bulletins to inform its consideration of the other items on this agenda.

6. STANDARDS COMMITTEE - FUTURE SIZE, COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE **Appendix C**

The Town Clerk and Corporate Director of Resources submits a report seeking the views of the Committee on its future size, composition and Terms of Reference in the light of Standards Committees' new responsibilities in the ethical framework, including arising from the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, and the initial feedback from the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA).

7. ORDERS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS IN ENGLAND - CONSULTATION **Appendix D**

The Town Clerk and Corporate Director of Resources submits a report which gives details of the consultation on the new Conduct regime, and the response submitted by the Town Clerk to the Department of Communities and Local Government.

8. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

