



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY 2008

TIME: 5.30 PM

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

Members of the Committee

Mrs. Sheila Brucciani (Independent Member) (Chair)

1 Conservative Member, 1 Labour Member, 1 Liberal Democrat Member

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. 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 6 March 2008 are attached and the Committee is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

3. STANDARDS COMMITTEE (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2008

Appendix B

The Service Director (Democratic Services) submits a report appraising Members of the Regulations and the required actions to ensure compliance. Details of the Statutory Instrument and Standards Bulletin are given with the report. The Committee is recommended to note the Regulations and governance arrangements, endorse the exploration of inter-authority training, a public information and publicity programme and comment on, and endorse the proposals within the report.

4. STANDARDS COMMITTEE - FUTURE SIZE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

Appendix C

The Service Director (Democratic Services) submits a report giving details of the proposed size and terms of reference of the Committee. The Committee is requested to give its views so that they can be input to the Annual Meeting of Council on 15 May 2008.

5. REVIEW OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Appendix D

The Service Director (Democratic Services) submits a report which gives details of proposals to update the Authority's Corporate Governance Framework. The Committee is recommended to note the proposals for updating the Framework.

6. COMPLAINTS RELATED TO ELECTED MEMBERS

The Service Director (Democratic Services) will circulate an up to date list of the nature of complaints against Elected Members.

7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

