



Leicester  
City Council

**MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**DATE: WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2001**  
**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) (Chair for this meeting)

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 to be discussed 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 31 July 2001 are attached and the Committee is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

### **3. POLITICAL CONVENTIONS**

**Appendix B**

The Town Clerk submits a report seeking the Committee's views on Conventions for Councillor/Officer relationships, incorporating the Councillors' General Principles of Conduct and the model Code of Conduct.

### **4. POLITICAL CONVENTIONS - TRAINING OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

**Appendix C**

The Town Clerk submits a report seeking the Committee's views on the nature and types of training, briefing and awareness raising which will be required both for Members and Officers, in relation to the Political Conventions.

### **5. DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS AGAINST COUNCILLORS**

**Appendix D**

The Town Clerk submits a report detailing the finalised procedure for dealing with complaints against Councillors and giving initial information regarding the nature of complaints which are likely to be dealt with locally or nationally. The Committee is asked to note the report.

### **6. NEW ETHICAL FRAMEWORK REGULATIONS AND TIMETABLE**

**Appendix E**

The Town Clerk submits a report which updates the Committee on the progress of Regulations to initiate the new ethical framework within local government and the timetable for the remaining items. The Committee is

asked to note the report.

**7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**