



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DATE: THURSDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2013
TIME: 5:30 pm
**PLACE: THE FOUNTAIN ROOM - GROUND FLOOR, TOWN HALL,
TOWN HALL SQUARE, LEICESTER**

Members of the Committee

Councillor Waddington (Chair)
Councillor Shelton (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Senior
Councillor Sood
One Non-Grouped Member Vacancy

Ms Amanda Fitchett (Independent Member)
Mr Desmond Henderson (Independent Member)
Ms Joanne Holland (Independent Member)
Mr Stephen Purser (Independent Member)
Ms Fiona Barber (Independent Member)

Standing Invitees:

Mr David Lindley (Independent Person)
Ms Caroline Roberts (Independent Person)

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

for the Monitoring Officer

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PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. 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.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee, held on 5 September 2103, have been previously circulated and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. ANNUAL REPORT OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE 2012/13

Appendix B

The Monitoring Officer submits the first Annual Report of the Standards Committee 2012/13, following the change of legislation which took effect on 1 July 2012. The Committee is asked to note the report and make any recommendations to the Standards Committee regarding the Standards regime.

5. A COUNCILLOR'S GUIDE TO USING SOCIAL MEDIA

Appendix C

The Committee is asked to note and comment on the Councillor's guide to using Social Media.

6. REGISTER OF INTERESTS

The Monitoring Officer will lead a discussion in relation to the requirement for an annual updating of the Register of Interests by Elected Members and Co-opted Members.

7. WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee are asked to discuss it's forthcoming programme of work.

8. COMPLAINT AGAINST COUNCILLORS - UPDATE

Appendix D

The Monitoring Officer submits a report giving feedback on complaints against Councillors reviewed and/or determined since the last meeting and updating the Committee on progress with outstanding complaints against Councillors. The Committee is recommended to receive and note the report.

9. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS