

## AGENDA

## **STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, 11 November 2014 Time: 7.00 pm Venue: Committee Room - Swale House

Membership:

Councillors Barnicott, Lloyd Bowen (Vice-Chairman), Derek Conway, Duncan Dewar-Whalley (Chairman), Mark Ellen, Sue Gent, David Jones, Prescott, Ben Stokes, Nick Williams and Tony Winckless.

Quorum = 3

Independent Person (non-voting): Mrs Sally Pirie.

Kent Association of Local Councils representatives (non-voting): Mr Graham Addicott, Mr Ken Ingleton and Mr Peter Paige.

- 1. Apologies for Absence and Confirmation of Substitutes
- 2. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 November 2013 (Minute Nos. 387 - 390) as a correct record and to accept the Minutes of the Standards Hearings Sub-Committee held on 1 May 2014 (Minute Nos. 705 – 707).

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillors should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves or their spouse, civil partner or person with whom they are living with as a spouse or civil partner. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.

The Chairman will ask Members if they have any interests to declare in respect of items on this agenda, under the following headings:

(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) under the Localism Act 2011. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DPI, the Member must leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion or vote. This applies even if there is provision for public speaking.

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(b) Disclosable Non Pecuniary (DNPI) under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council in May 2012. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DNPI interest, the Member may stay, speak and vote on the matter.

Advice to Members: If any Councillor has any doubt about the existence or nature of any DPI or DNPI which he/she may have in any item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Director of Corporate Services as Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

## Part A Report for recommendation to Council

4.	Annual Monitoring Officer's Report	1 - 16
	To consider the report of the Corporate Services Director/Monitoring Officer.	
Part	B Report for the Standards Committee to decide	
5.	Annual Report on Member Training and Development	17 - 20

5. Annual Report on Member Training and Development 17 - 2

To consider the annual report on progress with Member Training and Development.

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