

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

3 March 2008

Protocol re Gifts and Hospitality

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 This report informs Members of the action taken in relation to the production of a Protocol re Gifts and Hospitality for the County Council.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Standards Committee agreed, through adoption of its Work Programme for 2008, that a Protocol re Gifts and Hospitality should be produced for the authority, to sit alongside the Members' Code of Conduct and supporting Guidance Protocol re the Code. Those documents are currently published in the Council's Constitution.

3.0 PRESENT POSITION

- 3.1 The Monitoring Officer is currently drafting the Protocol however, at the time of writing this report, the first draft is not yet available. It will be finalised as soon as possible and circulated to Members of the Committee in advance of the meeting.

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 That Members note this report and, subject to any comments they may have, recommend the draft Protocol to Council for approval and inclusion in the Constitution.

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None

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