NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

5 February 2010

Independent Member Appointments

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider and determine the Committee's recommendations to full Council regarding appointments to two of the Independent Member positions on the Standards Committee.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Ms Fleming was appointed to the Standards Committee as an independent Member until the annual County Council meeting in May 2011. Owing to work commitments, however, Ms Fleming has now resigned from the Committee.
- 2.2 In June 2009, Mr Daglish was appointed to the Standards Committee as an independent Member for a further year, until the annual County Council meeting in May 2010.
- 2.3 At the last Standards Committee meeting in November 2009, the Committee agreed, in the circumstances, that a combined recruitment process be undertaken for appointments to the independent Member positions held by Mr Daglish and Ms Fleming.

3.0 RECRUITMENT PROCESS

- 3.1 The positions were advertised in the Yorkshire Post newspaper on 14 December 2009 and on the Council's website. The application form and information pack were also available to download from the website.
- 3.2 After the closing date for responses, the Monitoring Officer and Mr Cronin, independent Member of the Standards Committee, agreed a short-list of applicants.
- 3.3 A meeting of a Panel of Members drawn from this Committee to interview the short-listed candidates and to decide on its recommendations to the Committee is due to take place on 5 February 2010, prior to the Committee's meeting. The Monitoring Officer and the Principal Committee Administrator will also attend the interviews but not as part of the interview Panel.
- 3.4 The Panel will subsequently report its recommendations regarding the most appropriate appointments to the Standards Committee at the Committee's meeting.
- 3.5 The Standards Committee is requested to consider the Panel's recommendations and, if in agreement, to make the necessary recommendations to full Council to approve the appointments, at its meeting on 17 February 2010.

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

4.1 That the Committee determines its recommendations to full Council regarding the appointments to the independent Member positions held by Mr Daglish and Ms Fleming.

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Background Documents:

None

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