NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the special, additional meeting held at County Hall, Northallerton on 17 June 2011, commencing at 2 pm.

PRESENT:-

Mr Henry Cronin (Chairman).

County Councillors Peter Popple and J W Marshall.

Independent Member Hillary Gilbertson

Apologies were received from County Councillors Philip Barrett, David Jeffells, Peter Sowray and Geoff Webber; together with Independent Members Hilary Bainbridge and Dr Janet Holt.

COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED ARE IN THE MINUTE BOOK

96. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED -

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Minute No 97, Complaint NYCC/SC/08 - First-Tier Tribunal Appeal LGS\2011\0549, on the grounds that this would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006.

97. COMPLAINT NYCC/SC/08 - FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL APPEAL LGS\2011\0549

CONSIDERED:-

The report of the Monitoring Officer referring to the Standards Committee for consideration, the appeal papers served by the First Tier Tribunal (Local Government Standards in England) in relation to a decision of the Standards Committee's Complaints Determination Sub-Committee held on 18th March 2011, in respect complaint NYCC/SC/08.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Committee contests the appeal on the basis set out in the report and in the draft response of the Committee to the appeal as set out in Appendix 4 to the report;
- (ii) that the Committee agrees to the appeal being determined without a hearing;
- (iii) that the draft response of the Committee to the appeal, as set out in Appendix 4, be approved; and
- (iv) that the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Chair of the Standards Committee, be authorised to undertake all further steps and actions on behalf

- of the Committee in complying with the directions of the Tribunal and in relation to the appeal generally; and
- (v) that any future appeal papers served by the First Tier Tribunal (Local Government Standards in England) be delegated to the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Chair of the Standards Committee, for any further steps and/or actions to be taken on behalf of the Committee and their actions be reported back to a subsequent meeting of the Committee.

The meeting concluded at 3.05 pm.

SL/ALJ