

Agenda

Meeting: Standards Committee

Venue: Meeting Room 3, County Hall, Northallerton

Date: Monday, 16 January 2012 at 10.30 am

Business

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 November 2011. **(Pages 1 to 6)**
2. Public Questions or Statements.

Members of the public may ask questions or make statements at this meeting if they have delivered it in writing or by electronic mail to Ruth Gladstone of Democratic Services (*contact details below*) no later than midday on Wednesday 11 January. Each speaker should limit himself/herself to 3 minutes on any item. Members of the public who have given notice will be invited to speak:-

- at this point in the meeting if their questions/statements relate to matters which are not otherwise on the Agenda (subject to an overall time limit of 30 minutes);
- when the relevant Agenda item is being considered if they wish to speak on a matter which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

3. Local Ethical Framework Developments - The Localism Act 2011 – Report of the Monitoring Officer. **(Pages 7 to 45)**
4. Dispensation Issue. **(LATE REPORT)**
5. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

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Notes:

- (a) Members are reminded of the need to consider whether they have any personal or prejudicial interests to declare on any of the items on this agenda and, if so, of the need to explain the reason(s) why they have any personal interest when making a declaration.

The relevant Democratic Support Officer or Monitoring Officer will be pleased to advise on interest issues. Ideally their views should be sought as soon as possible and preferably prior to the day of the meeting, so that time is available to explore adequately any issues that might arise.

- (b) Tea and coffee will be available before the start of the meeting. Will Members please help themselves.

- (c) **Emergency Procedures for Meetings**

Fire

The fire evacuation alarm is a continuous Klaxon. On hearing this you should leave the building by the nearest safe fire exit. From **Meeting Room 3** this is the staircase outside Meeting Room 3 or, if that is unsafe, the main entrance stairway. Once outside the building please proceed to the fire assembly point outside the main entrance

Persons should not re-enter the building until authorised to do so by the Fire and Rescue Service or the Emergency Co-ordinator.

An intermittent alarm indicates an emergency in nearby building. It is not necessary to evacuate the building but you should be ready for instructions from the Fire Warden.

If you discover a fire, you should sound the alarm and then dial 9-999 asking the Fire Brigade to come to the main County Hall Building, Northallerton. You should then ring County Hall Reception on 5586 to inform them where the fire is.

There are alarm points at each end of the Meeting Room corridor – and at the main stairway.

Accident or Illness

First Aid treatment can be obtained by telephoning County Hall Reception on Extension 5586.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

1. Membership

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| COUNTY COUNCILLORS - (6) | |
| 1. BARRETT, Philip | NY Independent |
| 2. JEFFELS, David | Conservative |
| 3. MARSHALL, J W | Liberal Democrat |
| 4. POPPLE, Peter | NY Independent |
| 5. SOWRAY, Peter | Conservative |
| 6. WEBBER, Geoff | Liberal Democrat |
| MEMBERS OTHER THAN COUNTY COUNCILLORS – (3) VOTING | |
| 1. BAINBRIDGE, Hilary | Independent Member (to 2014) |
| 2. GILBERTSON, Hilary | Independent Member (to 2014) |
| 3. HOLT, Dr Janet | Independent Member (to 2011) |
| 4. CRONIN, Henry (Chairman) | Independent Member (16.12.2012) |
| TOTAL MEMBERSHIP – (10) QUORUM – (3) including one Independent | |

2. Substitute Members

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| <p>CONSERVATIVE</p> <p>1. TINDALL, Herbert 2. BATEMAN, Bernard MBE 3. BLADES, David 4. PATMORE, Caroline</p> | <p>LIBERAL DEMOCRAT</p> <p>1. BARNES, Keith 2. FOX, John 3. HOULT, Bill 4. SEYMOUR, Caroline</p> |
| <p>NY INDEPENDENT</p> <p>1. BLACKIE, John</p> | <p>INDEPENDENT</p> |

Note: The Standards Committee is not subject to the rules on political balance.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

As set out in Article 9.03 of the Constitution