

For Service and Enterprise

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Thursday, 7 April 2005 2.00 p.m.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, Spennymoor

> AGENDA and REPORTS

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To notify the Chairman of any items that appear later in the agenda in which you may have an interest.

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 10^{th} February 2005. (Pages 1 - 4)

4. STANDARDS TRAINING UPDATE

Oral report of the Council's Monitoring Officer.

- Training Forum: 24th February 2005.
- Planned Training Forum: 8th April 2005.
- Other Events: -
 - 26th May 2005: Newcastle.
 - 5th and 6th September 2005: Fourth Annual Assembly of Standards Committees, Birmingham.

5. REVIEW OF STANDARDS ARRANGEMENTS: STAFFING SUPPORT FOR THE COUNCIL'S MONITORING OFFICER: CHANGES TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE: CHANGES TO CONSTITUTION

To receive and be appraised of the Council's Monitoring Officer's attached report. (Pages 5 - 8)

6. STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND: A CODE FOR THE FUTURE: REVIEW/CONSULTATION

To consider the attached report of the Council's Monitoring Officer. (Pages 9 - 10)

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed at a later date.

8. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

Members are respectfully requested to give the Chief Executive Officer notice of items they would wish to raise under the heading not later than 12 noon on the day preceding the meeting, in order that consultation may take place with the Chairman who will determine whether the item will be accepted.

Council Offices SPENNYMOOR 30th March 2005

L. Petterson (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs. B. Graham, A. Gray, Mrs. L. Hovvels, G.M.R. Howe and J. Wayman J.P

Councillor J. Marr (Spennymoor Town Council) Mr I. Jamieson (Independent Member)

Background Documents: List of written advice issued by the Monitoring Officer since the previous meeting:

 MO54 - Advice to Members and Officers: Conflicts of Interest/Consultation: 11/02/05
MO55 - Consultation by Standards Board: Code of Conduct Review: 10/03/05
Changes to Constitution approved by Council: 25/02/05: issued 18/03/05

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