

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Thursday,
7 July 2005
1.00 p.m.

Council Chamber,
Council Offices, Spennymoor

AGENDA and REPORTS

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 7th April 2005. (Pages 1 - 4)

4. STANDARDS TRAINING UPDATE

Oral report of the Council's Monitoring Officer : planned events :

- 29th June 2005 – Shildon Town Council
- 5th and 6th September 2005 – Fourth Annual Assembly of Standards Committees, Birmingham

5. REPORT ON STANDARDS BOARD ROADSHOW 2005 : NEWCASTLE : 26TH MAY 2005

To consider the attached report of the Council's Monitoring Officer. (Pages 5 - 8)

6. DISCUSSION PAPER: CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW: MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

To consider the attached report of the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 9 - 16)

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

3rd November 2005 at 1.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Spennymoor.

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
29th June 2005

L. Petterson (Chairman)
Councillors Mrs. B. Graham, A. Gray, Mrs. L. Hovvells, 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:

- MO56 - Latest Standards Board Bulletin
- MO57 - Letter to Borough Council Members, Parish and Town Council Members, re. Updating Registers of Interests, Gifts and Hospitality
- MO/SBC31 - Advice on dismissal procedures
- MO/SBC32 - Employment references under the Data Protection Act 1998: Advice
- MO/SBC/CONS7 - Proposed changes to the Constitution

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