

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Thursday,
3 July 2008
1.00 p.m.

Conference Room 1,
Council Offices,
Spennymoor

AGENDA and REPORTS



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العربية (Arabic)

إذا أردت المعلومات بلغة أخرى أو بطريقة أخرى، نرجو أن تطلب ذلك منا.

বাংলা (Bengali)

যদি আপনি এই ডকুমেন্ট অন্য ভাষায় বা ফরমেটে চান, তাহলে দয়া করে আমাদেরকে বলুন।

(中文 (繁體字)) (Cantonese)

如欲索取以另一語文印製或另一格式製作的資料，請與我們聯絡。

हिन्दी (Hindi)

यदि आपको सूचना किसी अन्य भाषा या अन्य रूप में चाहिये तो कृपया हमसे कहे

polski (Polish)

Jeżeli chcieliby Państwo uzyskać informacje w innym języku lub w innym formacie, prosimy dać nam znać.

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ (Punjabi)

ਜੇ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਕਿਸੇ ਹੋਰ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿਚ ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਹੋਰ ਰੂਪ ਵਿਚ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ, ਤਾਂ ਇਹ ਸਾਥੋਂ ਮੰਗ ਲਓ।

Español (Spanish)

Póngase en contacto con nosotros si desea recibir información en otro idioma o formato.

اردو (Urdu)

اگر آپ کو معلومات کسی دیگر زبان یا دیگر شکل میں درکار ہوں تو برائے مہربانی ہم سے پوچھیے۔

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2008. (Pages 1 - 4)

3. NEW MEMBERS

To welcome the two new members to the Standards Committee:

- Brian Argyle – Co-opted Independent Member
- Councillor R.S. Fleming – Parish Member

4. THE ROLE AND MAKE UP OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 5 - 10)

5. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOCAL ASSESSMENT OF COMPLAINTS REGARDING MEMBERS' CONDUCT AND CHANGES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE EFFECTIVE FROM THE 8TH MAY 2008

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 11 - 14)

6. SURVEY SATISFACTION WITH THE STANDARDS BOARD

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 15 - 20)

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be held on 30th October 2008.

8. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

Members are respectfully requested to give the Chief Executive 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.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Monitoring Officer's advice issued:

MO Series - update:

MO

MO/106	Letter/e-mail – Unitary County Council Elections – 1st May 2008 - Advice
MO/107	Bulletin No. 37
MO/108	Bulletin No. 38
MO/109	Letter – Bi-Annual Review of Registers of Interests and Gifts and Hospitality

MO/SBC: None.

MO/SBC/CONS: **None.**

B. Allen
Chief Executive

Council Offices
SPENNYMOOR

Councillor L. Petterson (Chairman)
Councillors A. Gray, T. Hogan, Mrs. L. Hovvels and Mrs. E. Maddison

Councillor J. Marr (Spennymoor Town Council)
Councillor R. S. Fleming (Great Aycliffe Town Council)
Mr. I. Jamieson (Independent Member)
Mr. B. Argyle (Independent Member)

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