

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Thursday, 30 October 2008 1.00 p.m.

Conference Room 1, Council Offices, Spennymoor

# **AGENDA** REPORTS





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#### (Arabic) العربية

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 सचना किसी अन्य भाषा या अन्य रूप में चाहिये तो कृपया हमसे कहे

#### polski (Polish)

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#### 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.

(Urdu) اروو

اگرآپ کومعلومات کسی دیگرزبان یا دیگرشکل میں در کار ہوں تو برائے مہربانی ہم سے پوچھئے۔

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. APOLOGIES

#### 2. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2008. (Pages 1 - 4)

#### 3. NEW MEMBERS

To welcome the two new members to the Standards Committee:

- Councillor D. Waters Parish Member
- Councillor Ms. I. Jackson Sedgefield Borough Council Member

### 4. AN ANALYSIS OF THE CURRENT TRENDS IN ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AT NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL 2007/08

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

#### 5. STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND - ANNUAL REVIEW 2007/08

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 11 - 16)

## 6. STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND - QUARTERLY STATISTICS - QUARTER 1

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 17 - 20)

#### 7. LOCAL ASSESSMENT OF COMPLAINTS - UPDATE

To consider the attached report prepared by the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer. (Pages 21 - 24)

#### 8. PUBLICATION OF DECISIONS OF ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

The Monitoring Officer to give an oral report on the above.

#### 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at 1.00 p.m.

#### 10. 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/110 Bulletin Nos. 39 and 40

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, Ms. I. Jackson and Mrs. E. Maddison

Councillor J. Marr (Spennymoor Town Council)

Councillor R. S. Fleming (Great Aycliffe Town Council)

Councillor D. Waters (Sedgefield Town Council)

Mr. I. Jamieson (Independent Member)

Mr. B. Argyle (Independent Member)

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