

Agenda for formal meeting of the Standards Committee Wednesday 9th March 2011, Committee Room 1 at 6pm

1. Declaration of interest

2. Minutes of meeting

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2010
(Enclosure A)

3. Conduct complaints to the Ombudsman

An updated matrix is provided for the Committee's information by the Customer Care Officer
(Enclosure B)

4. Sign posting/one stop shop for enquiries by members

Report by the Customer Care Officer. The Committee is requested to make comments in a consultative capacity.
(Enclosure C)

5. Access rights and data protection issues - member access to back office areas

Report and presentation by the Corporate Information Officer to inform the Standards Committee
(Enclosure CH)

6. Gifts and hospitality protocol

Following previous consideration of gifts and hospitality by the Standards Committee and by the Council on 9th December 2010, a draft Protocol has been prepared for the Committee's consideration . The Committee is requested to approve the Protocol. It will be subsequently submitted to the Executive and the County Council, with the intention for it to become part of the Council's Constitution.
(Enclosure D)

7. Recruitment of the Standards Committee from December 2011 onwards and the roadshow/hawl i holi presentation in respect thereof

Report by the Solicitor to the Monitoring Officer - **to follow**
(Enclosure DD)

8. The Council's new Constitution

The Committee is asked to consider Parts 1 and 2 of the new draft Constitution for the Council and make any relevant observations. The new draft Constitution will be presented to the Executive and subsequently to the County Council in May.

(Enclosure E)

9. Report by the Vice Chairperson of her presentation of the Standards Committee's Annual Report to Council on 8/3/2011

(Enclosure F)

(a) Ms Sue Morris will make an oral presentation.

(b) The Committee is asked to consider the draft Work Programme for the Standards Committee for 2011/2012 which appears at Enclosure B to the Report.

10. Councillors' ICT skills

Following consideration of these matters at previous meetings including the Standards Committee's Informal Meeting on 2/2/11 a Groupwise Questionnaire for Members has been prepared by the HR Department and the Committee is requested to approve it.

(Enclosure FF)

11. Agenda matters for the informal meetings on 4th May 2011