



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2011, AT 6.00 P.M.

CONFERENCE ROOM, THE COUNCIL HOUSE, BURCOT LANE, BROMSGROVE

MEMBERS: Independent Members: Mr. N. A. Burke (Chairman), Ms. K. J. Sharpe (Vice-Chairman) and Mrs. G. Bell
Councillors: Miss D. H. Campbell JP, Mrs. A. E. Doyle and E. C. Tibby
Parish Councils' Representatives: Mr. J. Cypher (Alvechurch Parish Council) and Mr. I. A. Hodgetts (Romsley Parish Council)

Observer: Ms. S. H. Malek (Non-voting Deputy Parish Councils' Representative)

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitutes
2. Declarations of Interest
3. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 17th December 2010 (Pages 1 - 4)
4. Monitoring Officer's Report (Pages 5 - 12)

[To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer on any matters of relevance to the Committee.]
5. Parish Councils' Representatives' Report

[To receive an oral report from the Parish Councils' Representatives on any matters of relevance to the Committee, and to include an update on any recent meeting(s) of the Bromsgrove Area Committee of the Worcestershire County Association of Local Councils (CALC).]

6. Publications

[Attention is drawn to the publications detailed below which the Committee may find of interest. Any publications which are of direct relevance to the Committee will be copied into the agenda papers for reference. The links of the publications are included for online viewing:

- (i) Department for Communities and Local Government: *Decentralisation and the Localism Bill: an essential guide* - link:
<http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/localgovernment/pdf/1793908.pdf>
- (ii) Standards for England: *Case Review 2010* - link:
<http://www.standardsforengland.gov.uk/CaseinformationReporting/OnlineCaseReview2010/>]

7. Work Programme (Pages 13 - 20)

[To consider the future Work Programme of the Committee.]

8. To consider any other business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting

9. Exclusion of the Public

[To consider, and if considered appropriate, to pass the following resolution to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of an item of business containing exempt information:

"RESOLVED: that under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act, as amended, the relevant paragraph of that part being as set out below, and that it is in the public interest to do so:-

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10. To confirm the accuracy of the confidential minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 17th December 2010 (Pages 21 - 26)

11. Exclusion of the Public

[Should it prove necessary, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, to exclude the public from the meeting at any point during the proceedings in relation to any item(s) of business (in addition to the business set out at agenda item 10 above) on the grounds that either exempt and/or confidential information is likely to be divulged, the following resolution(s) will be moved:

"That under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, it/they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act, as amended, the relevant paragraphs of that part being (*...to be specified by the Chairman at the meeting*), and that it is in the public interest to do so.", and/or

"That under Section 100 A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, it/they involve the likely disclosure of confidential information which would be in breach of an obligation of confidence."]

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