

STANDARDS COMMITTEE
Wednesday 2nd March 2011

PRESENT – *Councillors Entwistle, Hirst, Humphrys, Z. Khan and Browne*

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS – *Councillor Malowana-Murphy and Councillor Stephen Simpson*

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE – *Mr L Loft (Chair), Mr Zahid Aziz, Mr B Kiernan, Mrs Sue Entwistle Mrs V Miles and Mrs V Webb*

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE- *A. Laher (Legal Services) P. Llewellyn and P. Conlon (Democratic Services).*

RESOLUTIONS

1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from. *Ms Harpreet Kaur-Kalkat*

2 Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 2nd March 2011

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2011 be approved and signed as a correct record subject to the alteration of the date of the minutes of the last meeting to read October, 2010.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Localism Act 2011 and the Standards Regime.

The Deputy Head of Legal Services updated the Committee on the progress of the Localism Act 2011 and how this changed the standards regime. The Committee were informed that the bill had received royal ascent on 15th November 2011 and included

5 Case Review

The Committee were updated on the case relating to a complaint that had been investigated by the monitoring officer and considered by an assessment Sub-Committee. Following an initial hearing further investigations had been made and it had been agreed that the case be not

continued as there had been no evidence found of wrong doing by the councillors who were being complained about.

Resolved-

That the decision of the assessment Sub-Committee to not continue with this complaint due to the lack of evidence of wrong doing be noted.

6 Date of Next Meeting

That the meeting of the Committee scheduled for 22nd March 2011 be cancelled and that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 7th July 2011.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....