### **Standards Committee**

Tuesday 12 April 2005

#### Monday 4 April 2005

A meeting of the above Committee will be held in the Town Hall, Royal Learnington Spa on Tuesday 12 April 2005 at 6.00 p.m.

Membership:

Warwick District Councillors	Councillor C C L Davis Councillor G B Guest Councillor B Gill Councillor J R Short
Parish Representatives	Councillor Mrs A Gordon Councillor B Smart
Independent Representatives	The Venerable M Paget-Wilkes (Chair) Mr I Morgan

#### **Emergency Procedure**

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chair will announce the emergency procedure for the Town Hall.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Declarations should be entered on the form to be circulated with the attendance sheet and declared at item 2 below. However, the existence and nature of any interest that subsequently becomes apparent during the course of the meeting must be disclosed immediately. In the event of an interest being prejudicial, members are reminded that they must withdraw from the room or chamber whenever it becomes apparent that the matter is being considered, unless a dispensation has been obtained from Standards Committee. If members are unsure about whether or not they have an interest, or about its nature, they are strongly advised to seek advice from officers prior to the meeting.

#### Agenda

#### 1. Substitute Members

To receive the name of any Councillor, Parish Representative or Independent Representative who is to act as a substitute, notice of which has been given to the Chief Executive, together with the name of the Councillor, Parish Representative or Independent Representative for whom they are acting.

#### 2. Appointment of Chair

To appoint a Chair for the meeting.

#### 3. **Declarations of Interest**

Members to declare the existence and nature of personal and prejudicial interests in items on the agenda in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct.

#### 4. Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2005.

(Previously circulated)

#### 5. Members' Register of Financial Interests and Other Interests Under The Mandatory Code of Conduct

The register containing details of financial and other interests notified by individual members will be available for inspection by members of the committee.

#### 6. Freedom of Information

To consider a report detailing the current progress on Freedom of Information from Legal Services. (Enclosure) (Page 1)

#### 7. Code of Conduct

The Standards Board for England has been asked to conduct a review of the content of the Code of Conduct for Councillors by the Minister of State for Local and Regional Government, and a copy of the questionnaire is enclosed with the agenda. (Enclosure)

#### 8. Work Programme

To consider any topics which the Committee might wish to consider at future meetings.

## (\*DENOTES THOSE ITEMS UPON WHICH DECISIONS WILL BE MADE UNDER DELEGATED POWERS, AS PREVIOUSLY GRANTED BY THE COUNCIL).

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