

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10 August 2016 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 5.00 pm.

**Present:** Councillors; Mrs Bunker, Cooke, Mrs Evetts, Mrs Falp, Gill, Mrs Hill and Howe.

**Also Present:**

Independent Persons: Mr R Meacham.

Officer: Mr G Leach (Democratic Services Manager & Deputy Monitoring Officer).

## 7. **Apologies and Substitutes**

- (a) There were no substitutes; and
- (b) apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bromley, Davies, and Rhead.

## 8. **Declarations of Interest**

### Minute 6 - Standards Committee of Warwick District

Councillors; Mrs Bunker, Cooke, Mrs Evetts, Mrs Falp, Gill and Mrs Hill also declared that they were either a Parish or Town Councillor of a Parish or Town Council that had indicated to join the Standards Committee of Warwick District.

## 9. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2016 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

## 10. **Standards Committee of Warwick District**

The Committee received an update from the Democratic Services Manager & Deputy Monitoring Officer on the proposals for a Joint Standards Committee of Warwick District.

The Democratic Services Manager & Deputy Monitoring Officer informed the Committee that four nominations had been received for the two seats on the Committee to represent the Town Councils within the District. The votes received were in favour of Councillor Guest (Warwick Town Council) and Councillor Smart (Whitnash Town Council).

There had only been two nominations for the Parish Council representatives; Councillor Gabbitas from Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council and Councillor Chapman from Cubbington Parish Council.

In addition, the Committee were informed that the report to Council setting out the structure for a Joint Standards Committee of Warwick District had not been brought forward to enable further consideration by officers. The Committee reaffirmed their position that every effort should

be made to ensure that the Parish/Town Council representatives are able to vote on matters.

**Resolved** that the representatives of the Town and Parish Councils on the proposed Joint Standards Committee should be Councillors Chapman, Gabbitas, Guest and Smart.

(The meeting ended at 5.19 pm)