

## NOTICE OF MEETING

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MEETING	<b>STANDARDS COMMITTEE</b>
DATE/TIME	Monday 6 June 2011 at 14:30
VENUE	Committee Room One East Pallant House East Pallant Chichester
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Thursday 26 May 2011

**DIANE SHEPHERD**  
Director of Corporate Services

## AGENDA

*This agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting*

*This meeting will take place on the lower ground floor of East Pallant House*

### PART I

- 1 **Opening by the District Solicitor and Monitoring Officer**
- 2 **Election of Chairman**

*This must be an independent member of the Standards Committee*

3 **Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

*This must be an independent member of the Standards Committee*

4 **Apologies for Absence**

5 **Approval of Minutes** (pages 1 to 4)

*The minutes relate to the Standards Committee's meeting on Monday 29 June 2009*

6 **Urgent Items**

*The chairman will announce any urgent items that due to special circumstances will be dealt with under agenda item 15 (b)*

7 **Declarations of Interests**

*These are to be made by members of the Standards Committee in respect of matters on the agenda for this meeting*

8 **Public Question Time**

*The procedure for submitting public questions in writing by no later than 12:00 on Friday 3 June 2011 is available on request to Member Services (see contact details on the agenda front page)*

MATTERS RELATING SOLELY TO CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

9 **Update on Equalities** (pages 5 to 9)

10 **Bribery Act 2010** (pages 10 to 15)

MATTERS RELATING SOLELY TO PARISH COUNCILS

NONE

MATTERS RELATING TO CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL AND PARISH COUNCILS

11 **Minutes of Previous Meetings of the Assessment Sub-Committee, the Review Sub-Committee, the Report Sub-Committee and the Hearing Sub-Committee**

*The Standards Committee will formally receive the minutes of the following meetings of the four sub-committees that have taken place since the last meeting*

(1) Assessment Sub-Committee – Wednesday 22 July 2009

(2) Assessment Sub-Committee – Wednesday 16 September 2009

(3) Report Sub-Committee - Wednesday 4 November 2009

- (4) Review Sub-Committee – Monday 30 November 2009
- (5) Hearing Sub-Committee – Friday 11 December 2009
- (6) Report Sub-Committee – Friday 22 January 2010
- (7) Assessment Sub-Committee – Friday 22 January 2010 (two meetings)
- (8) Assessment Sub-Committee – Friday 30 April 2010
- (9) Report Sub-Committee – Friday 30 April 2010
- (10) Hearing Sub-Committee – Friday 19 November 2010
- (11) Assessment Sub-Committee – Friday 25 March 2011 (one of two meetings only)
- (12) Review Sub-Committee – Friday 25 March 2011

*Save for (5) and (10) above (which are public documents and may be viewed on the Council's web site), all of these minutes are exempt from public disclosure and can only be discussed within Part II*

*Copies of the exempt minutes are available to members of the Standards Committee only on request to Member Services (see contact details on the agenda front page)*

*One hard copy of each of these minutes will be available for inspection by members of the Standards Committee only at the meeting*

*There will be an opportunity during this item for members who participated in any of these meetings to comment on the process for the benefit in particular of members who have yet to sit on a sub-committee*

12 **Re-establishment of the Sub-Committees of the Standards Committee** (pages 16 to 21)

13 **The Localism Bill and the Future of Standards** (pages 22 to 37)

14 **Standards Training**

*The Standards Committee will be invited to identify the training requirements and preferences for both the new members and those who have previous experience*

15 **Late Items**

*The Standards Committee will consider any late items as follows:*

- (a) Items added to the agenda papers and made available for public inspection
- (b) Items which the chairman has agreed should be taken as matters of urgency by reason of special circumstances to be reported at the meeting

## PART II

Items for which the press and public are likely to be excluded

*The press and public may be excluded from the meeting during any item of business whenever it is likely that there would be disclosure of "exempt information" as defined in section 100I of and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972*

NONE

### MEMBERS

#### **Chichester District Council Members (5)**

Mrs E P Lintill  
Mr D J Myers  
Mrs J A E Tassell  
Mrs B A Tinson  
Mr M Woolley (also a member of Chichester City Council)

#### **Independent Members (6)**

Mr A Deller  
Mr C Evans  
Mrs J V Radley

*There are currently three subsisting vacancies*

#### **Parish Council Members (6)**

Mr J Cottam (Fernhurst Parish Council)  
Mr B Norris (Earnley Parish Council)  
Mr D Ribbens (Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council)

*There are currently three subsisting vacancies*