

## **Standards Committee**

- To:** Mrs Christine Bainton (Independent Member, in the Chair)  
Cllrs Horton (Vice-Chair), Waudby, Hudson and Taylor (CYC Members)  
Mr A L Dixon, Mr M R Hall and Mr D Wilson (Independent Members)  
Cllrs Crawford, Mellors and Forster (Parish Council Members)
- Date:** Friday, 22 January 2010
- Time:** 3.00 pm
- Venue:** The Guildhall, York

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Declarations of Interest**  
At this point, Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.
- 2. Minutes** (Pages 3 - 8)  
To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 20 November 2009.

- 3. Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 9 - 16)  
To approve and sign the minutes of the following meetings of the Standards Committee Sub-Committees:
- Hearings Sub-Committee – meeting held on 6 November 2009
  - Review Sub-Committee – meeting held on 20 November 2009
  - Assessment Sub-Committee – meetings held on 23 November 2009 and 7 December 2009
- 4. Public Participation**  
At this point in the meeting, members of the public who have registered their wish to speak, regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the remit of the Standards Committee, may do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00 pm on Thursday, 21 January 2010**.
- 5. Review of Hospitality Registers** (Pages 17 - 26)  
This report provides information on the City of York Council's Members' hospitality register and an explanation of work that has been done in relation to the registration of hospitality for Officers.
- 6. Hearings Procedure** (Pages 27 - 36)  
This report seeks approval for a set of procedures which the Standards Committee must have in place in order to support the local determinations framework.
- 7. Raising the Profile of Standards Committee** (Pages 37 - 42)  
This report invites Members to discuss some ideas for raising the profile of the Standards Committee to ensure that it can carry out its wide ranging roles and become a more visible and proactive part of the Council's corporate governance.
- 8. Review of Work Plan** (Pages 43 - 44)  
To review the work plan for the Standards Committee for the remainder of the 2009/10 municipal year. A copy of the latest approved work plan is attached.

**9. Dispensation Requests** (Pages 45 - 52)

This report requests a number of dispensations for Council Members, allowing them to speak at Ward Committee meetings when they may have a prejudicial interest.

*Note: The following annexes to the above report were published with this agenda on 21 January 2010:*

- *Annex A – list of councillors seeking dispensations*
- *Annex B – amended recommendation*

**10. Urgent Business**

Any other business which the Chair decides is urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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