

Notice of a public meeting of the

Joint Standards Committee

To: Councillors Carol Runciman (Chair), Barton, Scott and Taylor (City of York Councillors)
Cllrs Crawford, Martin (Vice-Chair) and Simpson (Parish Council Members)
Mrs Bainton (Interim Independent Member), Mr Dixon (Interim Independent Member), Mr Hall (Interim Independent Person) and Mr Laverick (Independent Person)

Date: Wednesday, 17 April 2013

Time: 3.00 pm

Venue: Green Room (SO15), West Offices, Station Rise, York

AGENDA

1. **Declarations of Interest**

At this point, Members are asked to declare:

- Any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- Any prejudicial interests or
- Any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. **Minutes**

(Pages 3 - 12)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Standards Committee held on 20 February 2013.

3. 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 Joint Standards Committee, may do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00 pm on Tuesday 16 April 2013**.

4. Attendance by Representatives of Parish Councils

Parish Council representatives have been invited to attend the meeting to discuss issues relating to the new standards regime. This item will provide an opportunity for discussion to identify any issues relating to monitoring standards of conduct that they may wish the Committee to address or any support that the Committee might be able to provide for Parishes. It will also provide an opportunity for the Committee to feed back any emerging issues that it has identified.

5. Member Officer Protocol (Pages 13 - 34)

This report asks the Committee to review the current City Council Member Officer Protocol and to consider whether to recommend a similar protocol to Parish Councils.

6. Guidance for Councillors on Personal Interests (Pages 35 - 48)

This report advises the Committee of recently updated guidance issued by the Government in respect of the new standards regime.

7. Monitoring Report in Respect of Complaints Received

The Monitoring Officer will give a verbal report in respect of complaints received.

8. Review of Work Plan (Pages 49 - 50)

Members are asked to review the Committee's work plan.

9. Urgent Business

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

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