
MEETING	STANDARDS COMMITTEE ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE	7 DECEMBER 2009
PRESENT	MR DIXON (INDEPENDENT MEMBER, IN THE CHAIR) COUNCILLOR FORSTER (PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER) COUNCILLOR TAYLOR (CYC MEMBER)

16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda. No interests were declared.

17. MINUTES

It was noted that none of the members of this Sub-Committee had been present at the meeting held on 23 November 2009.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 23 November 2009 be submitted to the Chair for signing at a later date, once they have been verified as a correct record by those members present at the 23 November meeting.

18. COMPLAINT AGAINST FOUR MEMBERS OF CITY OF YORK COUNCIL

The Sub-Committee considered a complaint made against four Members of City of York Council.

It was alleged that the four subject members had breached paragraphs 8, 9 and 12 of the Code of Conduct then in operation by failing to declare, at a Planning Committee meeting held on 31 January 2005, a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of a planning application submitted by a donor to the political party to which they all belonged.

Having considered all the evidence provided in support of the complaint, it was

RESOLVED: That no further action be taken.

REASON: Due to the length of time that has elapsed since the events the subject of the complaint occurred, and because there are no exceptional circumstances in this case (in accordance with paragraph 6.1 of the Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference and Assessment Criteria).

The Sub-Committee also notes, from the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 31 January 2005, that one of the subject members was not present at that meeting and the complaint against that member is therefore not valid.

Mr Dixon, Chair

[The meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 10.50 am].