



**Public Meeting of
Joint Standards Committee**

- To:** Councillors Runciman (Chair), Barton, Horton and Taylor (City of York Councillors)
Cllrs Martin (Vice-Chair) and Simpson (Parish Councillors)
Mr Hall (Independent Person) and Mr Laverick (Independent Person)
- Date:** Monday, 9 February 2015
- Time:** 2.30 pm
- Venue:** The Thornton Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G039)

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 1 - 4)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Standards Committee held on 10 September 2014.

3. Minutes of Sub-Committees (Pages 5 - 12)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Assessment Sub-Committee meetings of:

- 10 September 2014
- 21 November 2014
- 18 December 2014

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 Joint Standards Committee, may do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00 pm on Friday 6 February 2015**.

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5. Joint Committee Membership (Pages 13 - 14)

This report seeks Members' views on future membership of the Standards Committee.

6. Local and Neighbourhood Planning - (Pages 15 - 24) Standards Issues

This report starts to identify potential ethical standards issues which may arise during the process of agreeing local and neighbourhood plans. It is intended to prompt debate on the issue with a view to considering whether further guidance should be offered to Councillors involved in these processes and to determine whether the Committee should do more to promote high ethical standards in relation to this matter.

- 7. Dispensations** (Pages 25 - 28)
This report seeks Members' approval to a change in the City Council's arrangements for granting dispensations.
- 8. Local Government Association (LGA) Report** (Pages 29 - 42)
This report advises Members of the contents of a report prepared by the Local Government Association following a recent peer review.
- 9. Monitoring Report in respect of complaints received**
The Monitoring Officer will give a verbal update in respect of complaints received.
- 10. Review of Work Plan** (Pages 43 - 44)
Members are asked to review the Committee's work plan and suggest items for consideration at future meetings.
- 11. Urgent Business**
Any other business which the Chair decides is urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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