City of York Council

Committee Minutes

MEETING	STANDARDS COMMITTEE
DATE	25 JUNE 2010
PRESENT	MRS BAINTON (INDEPENDENT MEMBER, IN THE CHAIR) COUNCILLORS HORTON (VICE-CHAIR), HUDSON, TAYLOR AND KIRK (SUBSTITUTE) (CYC MEMBERS) MR DIXON AND MR HALL (INDEPENDENT MEMBERS) COUNCILLORS CRAWFORD, MELLORS AND FORSTER (PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS)
APOLOGIES	COUNCILLOR WAUDBY (CYC MEMBER) AND MR WILSON (INDEPENDENT MEMBER)
IN ATTENDANCE	COUNCILLOR RUNCIMAN (AS CHAIR OF MEMBER DEVELOPMENT STEERING GROUP)

PART B – MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

10. ANNUAL MONITOR OF MEMBER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Members considered a report which provided information on the take-up at events offered as part of the City of York Council's 2009/2010 core programme of Member Training and Development, together with feedback from those who had attended these events. The Chair of the Member Development Steering Group was in attendance to present the report.

It was reported that:

- 21 non-Executive Members had achieved the minimum target of attending 8 qualifying sessions, 19 of whom had exceeded the target
- 19 non-Executive Members had not achieved the target
- 5 Executive Members had exceeded the target of attending 12 qualifying sessions and 2 Members had achieved the minimum target
- 4 non-Executive Members had not undertaken any qualifying events or activities.

A summary of feedback received was provided in paragraphs 14 to 17 of the report and in Annex A. In addition to the feedback on the sessions themselves, a number of comments had been made in relation to venues, refreshments etc.; these had been taken on board when arranging the 2010/11 programme.

It was further reported at the meeting that a provisional date of 28 September had been selected for the Council to be assessed for Charter status. A successful result would make York one of the first councils to receive the Charter. The Chair of the Steering Group, and Members of the Standards Committee, extended their thanks to Officers for their work in reaching this stage.

- RECOMMENDED: That Council consider the Annual Monitor of Member Training and Development.
- REASON: In order to comply with the monitoring arrangements set out in the Member Development Steering Group's Terms of Reference.

C Bainton, Chair [The meeting started at 3.00 pm and finished at 4.10 pm].