

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

9th June 2010

Present: Councillors: Duncan England, Sheila Matthews, Pat Rutherford,
Claire Vickers, Keith Wilkins

Parish Council Representatives: David Coldwell, Alan Grant,
David Herson

Independent Representatives: Eric Blackburn (Chairman), Mary
Jagger (Vice-Chairman), Paul Byford, David Tilsley

Apologies: Councillors: Andrew Baldwin,
Parish Council Representatives: John Charles

SC/1 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The Vice-Chairman of the Council invited nominations for Independent
Chairman of the Standards Committee for the municipal year 2010/11..

One nomination was received and seconded.

RESOLVED

That Eric Blackburn be elected Chairman of the
Committee for the ensuing Council year.

SC/2 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman of the Standards Committee invited nominations for Vice-
Chairman of the Standards Committee for the municipal year 2010/11.

One nomination was received and seconded.

RESOLVED

That Mary Jagger be appointed Vice-Chairman of the
Committee for the ensuing Council year.

SC/3 **APPROVAL OF MEETING TIMES**

RESOLVED

That meetings of the Committee be held at 10.00 am for
the ensuing Council Year.

SC/4 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 28th April 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

SC/5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

SC/6 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman thanked the Committee for re-electing him as Chairman and promised to do his best to continue to maintain standards and safeguard the independence of the Committee.

The Chairman congratulated Councillor Claire Vickers on her appointment as Vice-Chairman of the Council, Councillor Keith Wilkins on serving a successful year as Chairman of the Council and Sarah Smith on her appointment as Deputy Monitoring Officer.

The Monitoring Officer reported that following the interest in Standards expressed by the Chief Executive at the standards liaison meeting, he would be attending the next meeting of the Committee on 22nd September 2010, that the Local Assessment Sub-Committee schedule for the coming year had been printed and members should check availability and that two places had been secured for the Standards for England Conference in October 2010.

SC/7 **STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION**

The list was noted.

SC/8 **REPORT BY PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**

Alan Grant reported that members of the Parish Councils were all waiting to see what would happen with regards to the future of Standards for England.

David Herson reported that he had attended a training course on Misconduct and the Code and had found it very worthwhile.

SC/9 **REPORT BY MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS OF STANDARDS COMMITTEES IN ENGLAND (AIMSCE)**

There was nothing to report.

SC/10 **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent matters to be considered.

The meeting finished at 10.20am having commenced at 10.00am.

CHAIRMAN