

**MINUTES
STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Thursday 28 August 2014

Councillor Peter Barnes (Chair)

Councillor John Boot
Councillor Tony Gillam
Councillor Paul Hughes
Councillor Michael Payne

Councillor Suzanne Prew-Smith
Mr. D. Evans
Mr. G. Parkinson
Mr. G. Wallis

Officers in Attendance: F Whyley

16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

None.

17 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2013.

Following Councillor Gordon Tunnicliffe's recent resignation, Members asked that a letter be sent thanking him for his service to the Committee.

Mr Baggeley requested that his attendance at Standards Committee as the Independent Person be noted in the minutes of forthcoming meetings.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

18 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Councillor Barnes declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 4.

19 CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS

Consideration was given to a report of the Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing members of the Standards Committee of complaints received under the new standards regime between 1 November 2013 and 31 July 2014.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

20 APPOINTMENT OF RESERVE INDEPENDENT PERSON

Consideration was given to a report of the Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, updating the Committee on the current position regarding the recruitment of the reserve Independent Person.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

21 GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY 2013/14

Consideration was given to a report of the Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing members of the Standards Committee of gifts and hospitality received between 1 April 2013 and 31 March 2014.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

22 ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 4.50 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: