



Wednesday, 4 January 2012

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

A meeting of **Standards Committee** will be held on

Thursday, 12 January 2012

commencing at **2.30 pm**

The meeting will be held in the Meadfoot Room, Town Hall, Castle Circus,
Torquay, TQ1 3DR

Members of the Committee

Torbay Council

Councillors Addis, Doggett, McPhail and Stocks

Brixham Town Council

Town Councillors Boote, Lomas and Henderson

Independent Members

Messers Heath, Dalzell, Bastow, Branch, Hutchinson

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STANDARDS COMMITTEE AGENDA

1. **Apologies**

To receive apologies for absence, including notifications of any changes to the membership of the Committee.

2. **Minutes**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 9 June 2011.

(Pages 1 - 4)

3. **Declarations of interest**

(a) To receive declarations of personal interests in respect of items on this agenda

For reference: Having declared their personal interest members and officers may remain in the meeting and speak (and, in the case of Members, vote on the matter in question). If the Member's interest only arises because they have been appointed to an outside body by the Council (or if the interest is as a member of another public body) then the interest need only be declared if the Member wishes to speak and/or vote on the matter. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

(b) To receive declarations of personal prejudicial interests in respect of items on this agenda

For reference: A Member with a personal interest also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if a member of the public (with knowledge of the relevant facts) would reasonably regard the interest as so significant that it is likely to influence their judgement of the public interest. Where a Member has a personal prejudicial interest he/she must leave the meeting during consideration of the item. However, the Member may remain in the meeting to make representations, answer questions or give evidence if the public have a right to do so, but having done so the Member must then immediately leave the meeting, may not vote and must not improperly seek to influence the outcome of the matter. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

(Please Note: If Members and Officers wish to seek advice on any potential interests they may have, they should contact Democratic Services or Legal Services prior to the meeting.)

4. **Urgent items**

To consider any other items that the Chairman decides are urgent.

5. **Communications**

To receive any communications or announcements from the Chairman of the Committee.

- 6. Update on Standards** (Pages 5 - 18)
To consider a report which provides Members with an update on the Standards regime.
- 7. Survey of Public Attitudes Towards Conduct in Public Life 2010** (Pages 19 - 70)
To consider a report that presents findings of a national survey of public attitudes towards the standards of conduct of public office holders.
- 8. Work Programme** (Pages 71 - 72)
To consider the Standards Committee Work Programme and discuss the practical implications of the work plan and determine the allocation of tasks and deadlines.