



2 June 2009

THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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

Thursday, 11 June 2009

commencing at **2.30 p.m.**

The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Town Hall, Torquay.

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Mr Dalzell

Mr Heath (Chairman)

Mr Hutchinson

Mrs Faryna

Plus 1 vacancy

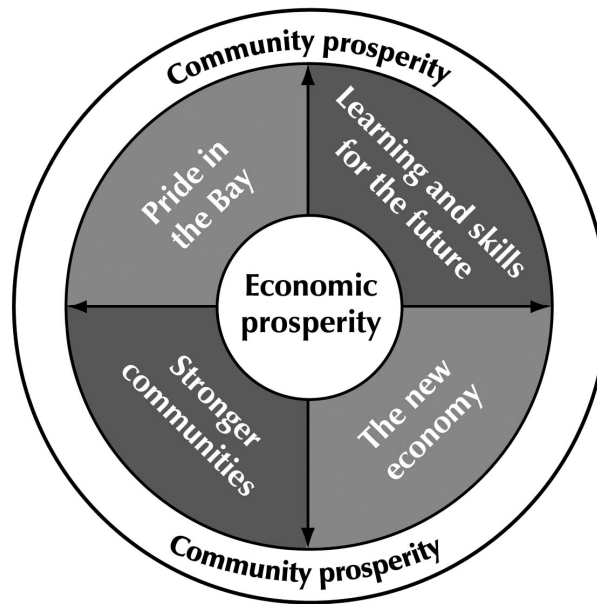
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Our corporate themes are:



NOTES

Recommendations - The Reports included on this agenda contain recommendations. These are recommendations of officers only and are prepared for the guidance of the Board in reaching its decision. The decision on each matter will be made by the Board at the meeting.

Wards - Unless otherwise indicated the items on this agenda affect all wards within Torbay.

Attendance Register - Members are asked to ensure that they sign the Attendance Register in accordance with Standing Order A21.

Personal Interests - Members and officers should indicate the nature of their personal interest and, having disclosed its existence, 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.)

Personal Prejudicial Interests - A Member or an officer 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 or an officer has a personal prejudicial interest he/she must leave the meeting during consideration of the item. In the case of a Member with a personal prejudicial interest, 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. In the case of an officer with a personal prejudicial interest, the officer may remain in the meeting and participate in the proceedings if the person presiding at the meeting (having taken advice from the Monitoring Officer) is satisfied that to do so would be in the interest of the Council or local people.

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AGENDA

1. **Election of Chairman/woman.** To elect a Chairman/woman of the Committee for the 2009/2010 Municipal Year.
2. **Apologies for absence.**
3. **Appointment of Vice-Chairman.** To appoint a Vice-Chairman/woman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.
4. **Minutes**
To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 19 March 2009. Page 1
5. **Declarations of Interest**
 - (a) To receive declarations of personal interests in respect of items on this agenda.
 - (b) To receive declarations of personal prejudicial interests in respect of items on this agenda.

(**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. Definitions and procedures in relation to interests are set out at the start of the agenda.)
6. **Urgent Items**
To consider any other items that the Chairman decides are urgent.
7. **Communications**
To receive any communications or announcements from the Chairman of the Committee.
8. **Terms of Reference of Standards Committee and Appointment of Standards Sub-Committees** Page 3
To consider Report 119/2009 on the above.
9. **The Role of the Standards Committee** Page 9
To consider Report 120/2009 on the role of the Standards Committee and to discuss how the Committee can support partnership working.
10. **Update on National Developments** Page 19
To consider Report 121/2009 which provides an update on national developments on ethical standards.
11. **The Adjudication Panel** Page 22
To consider Report 122/2009 on the recent outcome of Adjudication Panel decisions.

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| 12. | Standards Board Bulletin – 43
To note the contents of the Standards Board for England Bulletin Issue 43 (as set out in Report 123/2009). | Page 25 |
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| 13. | Standards Board for England Annual Return
To note the contents of the Council's annual return to the Standards Board for England (as set out in Report 124/2009). | Page 29 |