

17 November 2010

THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Standards Committee will be held on

25 November 2010

commencing at 2.30 p.m.

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

Members of the Committee

Councillor Aiton Councillor Doggett Councillor Hodge Councillor Stocks **Brixham Town Council** Town Councillor Henderson Town Councillor Killick Town Councillor Lomas **Independent Members** Mr Bastow Mr Bastow Mr Branch Mr Dalzell Mr Heath (Chairman) Mr Hutchinson

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Our corporate themes are:



NOTES

Exempt Information

The report marked with an asterisk (*) contains an exempt annex which has been circulated separately.

The report marked with two asterisks (**) contains exempt information and has been circulated separately.

Consideration of this annex and/or report may take place in the absence of the press and public on the grounds that exempt information (as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)) is likely to be disclosed.

Recommendations - The Reports included on this agenda contain recommendations. These are recommendations of officers/review panel/working party only and are prepared for the guidance of the Committee in reaching its decision. The decision on each matter will be made by the Committee 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.) They must complete a disclosure of interests form and return it to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

Personal Prejudicial Interests - 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. They must complete a disclosure of interests form and return it to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE AGENDA

1.	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 Standards Committee held on 3 June 2010.	Page 1
3.	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.)	
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 To note Report 280/2010 that provided an update on the abolition of the standards regime.	Page 4
7.	Annual Review of Past Year and Proposed Future Strategy and Work Programme To note Report 281/2010 that set out the work undertaken by the Standards Committee.	Page 11
8.	The Adjudication Panel To consider Report 282/2010 on the recent outcome of Adjudication Panel decisions.	Page 13
9.	Exclusion of the Press and Public To consider passing a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting prior to consideration of the following item on the agenda on the grounds that exempt information (as defined by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985) is likely to be disclosed.	
10.*	Training Exercise	Page 18

To receive training based upon exempt Report 283/2010.