

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE

23 July 2007

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***THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING***

Dear Councillor

12 July 2007

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Standards Committee to be held on **Monday 23 July 2007 at 7.00pm** in Committee Rooms C & D, Level -1, Council Offices, Monkton Park, Chippenham.

Yours sincerely

John Watling  
Policy & Democratic Services Team Leader

District Councillors: CMR Boase, MEM Groom, RF Sanderson and JR Scragg  
Town/Parish Members: G. Yates  
Independent Members: J. Carine and R. Philpott

To all other Councillors for information.

## AGENDA

**1. Election of Chairman**

**2. Election of Vice Chairman**

**3. Apologies for Absence**

**4. Public Question Time/Receipt of Petitions**

To receive public questions and/or petitions in accordance with Council Procedure Rules Numbers 11 and 12.

**5. Minutes**

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 23 April 2007 (**copy attached**).

**6. Chairman's Announcements (if any)**

**7. Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any item contained on this Agenda.

**8. Comments and Complaints Update**

The purpose of report no. 8, **copy attached**, is to inform the Standards Committee on the number of comments and complaints received by service area for the 2006/07 financial year and to provide an update in respect of the implementation of the new comments and complaints system.

**9. Registration of Interests**

The purpose of report no. 9, **copy attached**, is to consider the Monitoring Officer's report relating to the registration of interests following the local elections on 3 May 2007.

**10. Members' Code of Conduct - Training**

The purpose of report no. 10, **copy attached**, is to outline a proposal to provide training in relation to the Members' Code of Conduct.

**11. Parish Council Dispensations**

The purpose of report no. 11, **copy attached**, is to ask the Committee to consider three requests for the renewal of dispensations granted to Parish Councils.

**12. Dispensation Sub-Committee**

The purpose of report no. 12, **copy attached**, is to determine the procedure for dealing with applications for dispensations.

**13. Work Programme for 2007/08**

The purpose of report no. 13, **copy attached**, is to set out a work programme for the Standards Committee for the forthcoming year.

**14. Notes of Independent Forum Meeting**

The notes of the Independent Forum Meeting held on 20 April 2007 are **attached** for information.

**15. Standards Board Bulletin – May and July 2007**

The Standards Board Bulletins for May and July are **attached** for information.