

A meeting of the **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** will be held in **MEETING ROOM 1, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **THURSDAY, 6 DECEMBER 2007** at **4:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

## **APOLOGIES**

### **Contact**

**1. MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 2)

**C Deller  
388007**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October 2007.

**2. MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

To receive from Members declarations as to personal and/or prejudicial interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any Agenda Item. Please see Notes 1 and 2 below.

**3. USE OF RESOURCES JUDGEMENTS 2006/07** (Pages 3 - 8)

**C Deller  
8007**

To consider a report by the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer on the outcome of the exercise undertaken in response to the Audit Commission's requirements.

**4. CODE OF CONDUCT - STANDARDS BOARD NOTIFICATION** (Pages 9 - 10)

**C Deller  
8007**

To consider a report by the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer regarding notifications received from the Standards Board for England on decisions in respect of allegations of misconduct made against Councillors serving on Catworth and Earith Parish Councils.

**5. TRAINING - UPDATE** (Pages 11 - 12)

**C Deller  
8007**

To consider a report by the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer on the response received to the training programme offered on the new Code of Conduct.

**6. CODE OF CONDUCT - FACT SHEETS** (Pages 13 - 20)

(a) **Bullying**

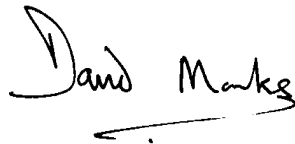
(b) **Lobby Groups and Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct**

The Standards Board for England has begun to issue a range of factsheets which convey information on various sections of the Code of Conduct via frequently asked questions. Two of the factsheets are appended for the Committee's information.

**7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that that the next ordinary meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday 6th March 2008 at 4pm.

Dated this 28th day of November 2007



Chief Executive

**Notes**

1. *A personal interest exists where a decision on a matter would affect to a greater extent than other people in the District –*
  - (a) *the well-being, financial position, employment or business of the Councillor, their family or any person with whom they had a close association;*
  - (b) *a body employing those persons, any firm in which they are a partner and any company of which they are directors;*
  - (c) *any corporate body in which those persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; or*
  - (d) *the Councillor's registerable financial and other interests.*
2. *A personal interest becomes a prejudicial interest where a member of the public (who has knowledge of the circumstances) would reasonably regard the Member's personal interest as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest.*

**Please contact Ms C Deller, Democratic Services Manager, Tel No 01480 388007/e-mail: Christine.Deller@huntsdc.gov. if you have a general query on any Agenda Item, wish to tender your apologies for absence from the meeting, or would like information on any decision taken by the Committee.**

**Specific enquires with regard to items on the Agenda should be directed towards the Contact Officer.**

**Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting as observers except during consideration of confidential or exempt items of business.**

Agenda and enclosures can be viewed on the District Council's website – [www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk](http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk) (under *Councils and Democracy*).

If you would like a translation of Agenda/Minutes/Reports or would like a large text version or an audio version please contact the Democratic Services Manager and we will try to accommodate your needs.

***Emergency Procedure***

*In the event of the fire alarm being sounded and on the instruction of the Meeting Administrator, all attendees are requested to vacate the building via the closest emergency exit and to make their way to the car park adjacent to the Methodist Church on the High Street (opposite Prima's Italian Restaurant).*