A meeting of the REFERRALS (ASSESSMENT) SUB COMMITTEE will be held in the CABINET ROOM, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST. MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON, PE29 3TN on MONDAY, 28 JULY 2008 at 9:00 AM and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

### **APOLOGIES**

## **1. MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2008.

## 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. TERMS OF REFERENCE** (Pages 7 - 8)

To note the Terms of Reference of the Sub-Committee.

## **4. GUIDANCE TO ASSIST ASSESSMENT OF CASES** (Pages 9 - 12)

- Local Assessment Case Handling Chart; and
- Early guidance received from the Standards Board for England on the conduct of an assessment.

### 5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve:-

that the public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains exempt information under paragraph 7c relating to the deliberations of a Sub-Committee of the Standards Committee established under

# 6. PRE-ASSESSMENT REPORT AND ENQUIRIES - CASE NO. 2 (Pages 13 - 48)

Enclosed -

- (a) letter from complainant dated 3rd June plus Appendices;
- ♦ the Bridge Magazine April 2008
- ♦ the Bridge Magazine April 2006
- extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Promotion and Publicity Committee of St. Ives Town Council dated 11th March 2002.
- (b) e-mail exchange between the complainant and former Monitoring Officer June 2008; and
- (c) pre-assessment report by the Monitoring Officer; and
- (d) Code of Recommended Practice on Local Authority Publicity.

### 7. INITIAL ASSESSMENT - CASE NO. 2

The Sub-Committee to deliberate.

8. PRE-ASSESSMENT REPORT AND ENQUIRIES - CASE NO. 3 (Pages 49 - 78)

Enclosed -

- (a) letter of complaint dated 9th July 2008;
- (b) registration forms of Councillors concerned;
- (c) Agenda/Minutes of the meeting of Kimbolton and Stonely

  Parish Council held on 19th June 2008; and
- (d) pre-assessment report by the Monitoring Officer.

## 9. INITIAL ASSESSMENT - CASE NO. 3

The Sub-Committee to deliberate.

Dated this 11 day of June 2010

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.uk 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 Sub-Committee.

Specific enquiries 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.

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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.

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