A meeting of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE will be held in the MEETING ROOM, EASTFIELD HOUSE, LATHAM ROAD, HUNTINGDON, CAMBS PE 29 6YG on THURSDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2009 at 4:00 PM and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

APOLOGIES

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1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2009.

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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 Items - please see Notes 1 and 2 below.

3. **REPORTS OF SUB-COMMITTEES** (Pages 1 - 2)

(a) Referrals (Assessment) Sub-Committee

To include:-

- update on arrangements made for training at Godmanchester Town Council;
- ♦ to discussed reference from Sub-Committee regarding the training of Chairmen of Parish Councils.

(b) Standards (Consideration and Hearing) Sub-Committee

To include:-

- Newspaper articles enclosed;
- update on arrangements made for training at St. Neots Town Council;
- to confirm that formal notice of the outcome of Case No. 4 has been published in the Hunts Post Newspaper dated 25th August 2009.

4. STANDARDS ISSUES

To consider a report by the Head of Law, Property and Governance and Monitoring Officer regarding various matters of interest including indemnification arrangements and a "new look" for the Standards Board.

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5. **RECENT CASES OF INTEREST** (Pages 3 - 6)

To note, for training purposes, the outcome of three cases recently determined by the Adjudication Panel for England.

6. LOG OF CODE OF CONDUCT INQUIRIES

To note the Code of Conduct Inquiries recorded by the Head of Law, Property and Governance and Monitoring Officer since the meeting held in July.

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7. REGISTRATION OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER INTERESTS

To note the action taken by the Head of Law, Property and Governance and Monitoring Officer to maintain the Register of Financial and Other Interests.

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8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note that the next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday 3rd December 2009 at 4pm in the Aquarius Room, St. Ivo Leisure Centre, Westwood Road, St. Ives.

Dated this 26th day of August 2009

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 Committee/Panel.

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.

Agenda and enclosures can be viewed on the District Council's website – 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

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