A meeting of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE will be held in MEETING ROOM 1, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN on WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE 2003 at 4:00 PM and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

#### **APOLOGIES**

### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

To elect a Chairman of the Committee.

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

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 26th March 2003.

### 3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

### 4. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS AND TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

To note the appointment by Council of Messrs D H Bristow, D L Hall and D Pattisson as Independent Members to the Standards Committee.

The Council also have invited the Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils to nominate two representatives, to serve on the Standards Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year. Confirmation of the names of the representatives is awaited.

## 5. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (CODE OF CONDUCT) (LOCAL DETERMINATION) REGULATIONS 2003 (Pages 7 - 10)

To consider a report by the Executive Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer on the recent publication of regulations on the procedures to be followed by the Committee when considering allegations of misconduct.

### **6. ALLEGATION OF MISCONDUCT** (Pages 11 - 12)

To consider a report by the Executive Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer regarding the receipt, by the Standards Board for England, of an allegation of misconduct against a Member of a local Council in the District.

### **7. APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS** (Pages 13 - 16)

To consider a report by the Executive Director of Central

Services and Monitoring Officer on applications received for dispensations from three town and parish councils.

### 8. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve:

that the public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because the business to be transacted relates to the recipient of a service provided by the Council and that persons financial affairs.

# 9. HOUSING BENEFIT COMPLAINT: AWARD OF COMPENSATION (Pages 17 - 18)

To consider a report by the Head of Revenues Services regarding the payment of compensation under the Council's complaints system.

Dated this 17th day of June 2003

Chief Executive

Please contact Ms C Deller, Democratic Services Manager, Tel No 01480 388007 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 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.