

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE held in Meeting Room 1, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon PE29 3TN on Tuesday, 23 October 2007.

PRESENT: Mr D L Hall - Chairman
Councillors R S Farrer,
I R Muir, T D Sanderson, and G S E Thorpe.
Messrs P L Boothman, D MacPherson, and
G Watkins.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors J D Ablewhite, Mrs B E Boddington and P J Downes and Mr M Lynch.

22. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13th September 2007 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

23. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No interests were declared.

24. APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION

A report by the Director of Central Services and Monitoring Officer was submitted (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) regarding a request received for dispensation from nine Members serving on Folksworth and Washingley Parish Council.

The Monitoring Officer explained that following advice offered during a training session on Code of Conduct, it had become apparent to the Clerk that, as custodian trustees for land occupied by the Village Hall, Members of the Parish Council required dispensation to enable them to continue to consider applications for financial assistance received from the Village Hall Management Committee.

In accordance with the Relevant Authorities (Standards Committee) (Dispensations) Regulations 2002 and having been satisfied that approval was required to prevent the business of the Parish Council from being impeded, the Committee

RESOLVED

that dispensation to speak and vote be granted to Members of Folksworth and Washingley Parish Council for the period ending 30th April 2010 to enable them to conduct business involving the award of grant to the Village Hall Management Committee.

25. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next ordinary meeting of the Committee would be held at 4pm on Thursday 6th December 2007.

26. ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF STANDARDS COMMITTEES

The Chairman reported on his attendance at the 6th Annual Assembly of Standards Committees.

Chairman