

<b>Committee</b>	STANDARDS & ETHICS COMMITTEE
<b>Date and Time of Meeting</b>	TUESDAY 2 MAY 2006 AT <b><u>5.00 PM</u></b>
<b>Venue</b>	FUNCTION ROOM A, CITY HALL, CATHAYS PARK, CARDIFF
<b>Membership</b>	Independent Members - Dr Barry Morgan The Archbishop of Wales/The Bishop of Llandaff, David Hughes, Patricia Jenkins, Elaine Moore and Akmal Hanuk  Community Councillor David Suthers  County Councillors Griffiths, James and Owens

1. Terms of Reference

- (a) To monitor and scrutinise the ethical standards of the Authority, its Members, employees and any associated providers of the Authority's services and to report to the Council on any matters of concern.
- (b) To advise the Council on the content of its Ethical Code and to update the Code as appropriate.
- (c) To advise the Council on the effective implementation of the Code including such matters as the training of Members and employees on the Code's application.
- (d) To consider and determine the outcome of complaints that Councillors and co-opted members have acted in breach of the Code in accordance with procedures agreed by the Standards Committee, including the imposition of any penalties available to the Committee.
- (e) To oversee and monitor the Council's Whistleblowing procedures and to consider ethical issues arising from complaints under the procedure and other complaints.

- (f) To grant or refuse requests for dispensations in respect of Members' interests under the Members' Code of Conduct in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions.
  - (g) To consider whether individuals should be determined as vexatious or persistent complainants under relevant procedures.
  - (h) To recommend to Council and the Executive any additional guidance on issues of probity.
  - (i) To hear and determine any complaints of misconduct by Members or a report of the Monitoring Officer, whether on reference from the Ombudsman or otherwise.
  - (j) To recommend the provision to the Monitoring Officer of such resources as he/she may require for the performance of his/her duties.
2. Declarations of Interest- to be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.
  3. Minutes – To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2006 – copy attached
  4. Draft Annual Report –to consider the Draft Annual Report for approval and recommendation to Council
  5. Ethical Standards Audit – Verbal update of the Monitoring Officer.
  6. Cardiff County Council Website – presentations on new website to inform views of the Committee on development of the website for the Standards and Ethics Committee.
  7. Public Interest Report – to receive and consider the District Auditor's Public Interest Report (hard copy of the report sent under separate cover)
  8. Work Programme – Report of the Monitoring Officer (attached).
  9. Date of Next Meeting.

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