

STANDARDS COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Tuesday 13 December 2011 at 4.30 pm at the
Council Chamber, West Somerset House, Williton**

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive and record any declarations of interest in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.

3. Public Participation

The Chairman to advise the Committee of any items on which members of the public have requested to speak and advise those members of the public present of the details of the Council's public participation scheme.

For those members of the public wishing to speak at this meeting there are a few points you might like to note.

A three-minute time limit applies to each speaker and you will be asked to speak before Councillors debate the issue. There will be no further opportunity for comment at a later stage. Your comments should be addressed to the Chairman and any ruling made by the Chair is not open to discussion. If a response is needed it will be given either orally at the meeting or a written reply made within five working days of the meeting.

4. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2011 – **SEE ATTACHED.**

5. Appointment of Deputy Monitoring Officer

The Monitoring Officer to report that, following the Group Manager for Member Services Post having been made redundant, the Council had agreed to appoint Ian Timms, Group Manager for Housing and Community, as Deputy Monitoring Officer.

6. Future of the Local Standards Framework

To consider Report No. WSC 149/11, prepared by Bruce Lang, Monitoring Officer – **COPY ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to advise the Committee that the Localism Bill had received Royal Assent and debate the arrangements to be put in place to consider the appropriate way forward in respect of a future Local Standards Framework for West Somerset.

7. Monitoring Officers Update

To consider a progress report from the Monitoring Officer on activities undertaken since the last meeting – **SEE ATTACHED.**

8. Standards Committee Workplan 2011/2012

To consider setting the Standards Committee Workplan for 2011/2012 – **COPY ATTACHED.**

9. Date of the Next Meeting

The Monitoring Officer to advise that the date of the next meeting of the Committee is scheduled to commence at 4.30pm on the 13 March 2012.