

Minutes

Standards Committee

10 March 2009

Meeting held at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge



HILLINGDON
LONDON

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	<p>Present: Allan Edwards (Chairman), Malcolm Ellis (Vice Chairman) James Keys, Councillors Josephine Barrett, Philip Corthorne, Catherine Dann, Anthony Way and David Yarrow.</p> <p>Officers Present: Nav Johal and Lloyd White.</p>	
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence: Were received from Councillor David Payne, Councillor Pete Curling and Raj Alagh</p>	
2.	<p>Declarations of Interest – There were no declarations of interest in matters coming before this meeting.</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2008 – Agreed as an accurate record.</p>	
4.	<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC – It was confirmed that the business of the meeting would be conducted in public for items 1 – 2 and in private for item 3.</p>	
5.	<p>BRENT COUNCIL: STANDARDS NETWORKING EVENT</p> <p>The event, discussed at the last Standards Committee meeting, had been attended by the Chairman and Vice Chairman on 27 January 2009.. 9 London Councils had been represented and the Vice Chairman updated the committee on a presentation given at the event by James Goudie QC.</p> <p>It was noted that, nationally the majority of complaints that Council's received against Members were from the public. At Hillingdon all the complaints received to date had been from Members about Members.</p> <p>There had been a total number of 80 complaints received for all 33 London Boroughs to date; 13 of these complaints had been at Hillingdon. All 13 complaints had reached the Assessment Sub-Committee stage within 20 days.</p> <p>Resolved: That</p> <p>1. the committee note the details of the networking event and the Head of Democratic Services prepare a short summary of the</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p>Lloyd White</p>

	<p>paperwork for Members.</p> <p>2. the Chairman and Vice Chairman's questions/responses from the networking event be distributed to Members.</p>	<p>Nav Jahal</p>
6	<p>STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND BULLETIN</p> <p>The bulletin was an information item for Members on the latest developments from the Standards Board for England.</p> <p>Resolved: That the Bulletin to be sent out to all Members as appropriate with the Members Bulletin when published.</p>	<p>Action By:</p> <p>Nav Jahal</p>
7.	<p>COMPLAINTS MONITORING</p> <p>This item was discussed as a Part 2 item without the press or public present since the information under discussion contains confidential or exempt information as defined by law in the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.</p>	
	<p>MEETING CLOSED AT: 6.40PM</p>	