

Meeting of the

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 11 April 2006 at 7.00 p.m.

A G E N D A

VENUE

Committee Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

Members: Deputies (if any):

Chair: Mr Patrick O'Connor

Vice-Chair:(none)

Mr Satnam Bains (none)
Ms Suzette Barry
Councillor Betheline Chattopadhyay

Sister Christine Frost

Mr Muhammad Habibur Rahman

Councillor Marian Williams

[Note: The quorum for this body is 3 Members, of whom one must be an independent Member].

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992.

Note from the Chief Executive

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members must declare any **personal interests** they have in any item on the agenda or as they arise during the course of the meeting. Members must orally indicate to which item their interest relates. If a Member has a personal interest he/she must also consider whether or not that interest is **a prejudicial personal interest** and take the necessary action. When considering whether or not they have a declarable interest, Members should consult pages 181 to184 of the Council's Constitution. Please note that all Members present at a Committee meeting (in whatever capacity) are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests.

A **personal interest** is, generally, one that would affect a Member (either directly or through a connection with a relevant person or organisation) more than other people in London, in respect of the item of business under consideration at the meeting. If a member of the public, knowing all the relevant facts, would view a Member's personal interest in the item under consideration as so substantial that it would appear likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest, then the Member has a **prejudicial personal interest**.

Consequences:

- If a Member has a personal interest: he/she must declare the interest but can stay, speak and vote.
- If the Member has **prejudicial personal interest**: he/she must declare the interest, cannot speak or vote on the item and must leave the room.

When declaring an interest, Members are requested to specify the nature of the interest, the particular agenda item to which the interest relates and to also specify whether the interest is of a personal or personal and prejudicial nature. This procedure is designed to assist the public's understanding of the meeting and is also designed to enable a full entry to be made in the Statutory Register of Interests which is kept by the Head of Democratic Renewal and Engagement on behalf of the Monitoring Officer.

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3. MINUTES

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	 the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Standards Committee held on 17th January, 2006; the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Standards Committee held on 21st February, 2006. 		
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To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings: