



Standards Committee

Tuesday, 6 December 2011 at 7.00 pm

Committee Room 4, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane,
Wembley, HA9 9HD

Membership:

Members

Independents:

Angela Ruotolo (Chair)

Sola Afuape (Vice-Chair)

first alternates

Sheila Darr

John Mann

second alternates

John Mann

Sheila Darr

Councillors:

Beck

Colwill

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Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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1 Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests	
Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.	
2 Minutes of the previous meeting	1 - 4
3 Matters arising (if any)	
4 The Localism Act 2011 and the provisions regarding members' conduct	5 - 8
The Localism Act 2011 received Royal Assent on 15 November 2011 introducing new arrangements for members' conduct. The provisions are not yet in force and no date has been set, although it is suggested it may be April 2012. This report outlines the major changes to the standards and members' conduct arrangements under the Localism Act 2011.	
Ward Affected: All Wards	Contact Officer: Fiona Ledden, Director of Legal and Procurement Tel: 020 8937 1292 fiona.ledden@brent.gov.uk
5 Annual Report of the Monitoring Officer	9 - 22
This is the Monitoring Officer's Annual Report to the Standards Committee for the period May 2010 to April 2011. This report provides an update on member conduct issues, and the work of the Standards Committee and the Monitoring Officer during that period.	
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6 Review of Members' Expenses - April 2010 to April 2011	23 - 28
The London Borough of Brent Members' Allowance scheme makes provision for the payment of travel expenses to members. Appendix 1	

outlines expenses claimed over the period from April 2010 to April 2011.

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7 Sub-Committee membership changes (if any)

8 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled to take place on 13 March 2012.

9 Any Other Urgent Business

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