

Meeting: STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Time: **7.00 pm** 

Venue: Committee Room 4, 2nd Floor, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley

# AGENDA

Membership:

	MEMBERS	1 <sup>st</sup> Alternate	2 <sup>nd</sup> Alternate
Independent Members:	JOHN MANN (C) ROCHELLE GELMAN (VC)	Sheila Darr	
Councillor Members:	BESSONG COLWILL J MOHER	Leaman H B Patel Butt	Cummins Detre Beswick

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Item no. Introductions, if appropriate Apologies for absence

# 1. **Declarations of Interest (if any)**

Members are invited to declare, at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial of other interest in the items on the agenda.

# 2. **Deputations (if any)**

# p. 1 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> January 2009

## 4. Matters Arising

p. 5 5. Report from the Mayor's Office and Member Development Manager

#### Annual Review of Member Development Programme May 2008-April 2009

The purpose of this report is to review the Member Development Programme. The report outlines the activities undertaken by members since May 2008, the feedback from members, and identifies constraints on the programme. Consideration is given to future development of the programme and to additional training opportunities for members which have arisen as a result of new legislation, such as the 'Councillor Call for Action'.

**p. 11** 6. Report from the Borough Solicitor

## **Standards Board for England Statistics**

This report highlights some of the latest statistics provided by the Standards Board for England about the number of complaints received by the standards committees of local authorities, the number of matters investigated and the decisions that were made.

7. Report from the Borough Solicitor

#### p. 17 Annual Work Programme 2009/10

This report sets out the work of the Standards Committee over the past municipal year and also contains a proposed work programme for the committee for the forthcoming municipal year for 2009/10.

## 8. Sub-Committee membership changes (if any)

## 9. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be agreed at the Council's Annual Meeting in May 2009.

#### 10. Any other business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Democratic Services Manager or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order No. 64.

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