



## **Standards Consideration and Hearing Sub-Committee**

Date: **Thursday 22 December 2011**

Time: **10.00am**

Venue: **Cranworth Room, County Hall, Norwich**

**Membership:**

Mr R Bearman  
Mrs L Cuneen  
Mr S Revell

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## AGENDA

**1 Apologies**

**2 Election of Chairman**

**3 Minutes**

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To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2011

**4 Members to Declare any Interests**

Please indicate whether the interest is a personal one only or one which is prejudicial. A declaration of a personal interest should indicate the nature of the interest and the agenda item to which it relates. In the case of a personal interest, the member may speak and vote on the matter. Please note that if you are exempt from declaring a personal interest because it arises solely from your position on a body to which you were nominated by the County Council or a body exercising functions of a public nature (e.g. another local authority), you need only declare your interest if and when you intend to speak on a matter.

If a prejudicial interest is declared, the member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed unless members of the public are allowed to make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter, in which case you may attend the meeting for that purpose. You must immediately leave the room when you have finished or the meeting decides you have finished, if earlier. **These declarations apply to all those members present, whether the member is part of the meeting, attending to speak as a local member on an item or simply observing the meeting from the public seating area.**

**5 Exclusion of the Public**

The following information can not be disclosed by law (Reg 12 2008 Regs and S63 LGA 2000) Section 100A(2) LGA 1972

**6 Minutes**

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**7 Consideration of Investigator's Report**

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Report by Head of Law and Monitoring Officer

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**STANDARDS CONSIDERATION AND HEARING SUB-COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 NOVEMBER 2011  
COUNTY HALL at 2.30pm**

**Present:-**

Mr R Bearman  
Mr J Goodey  
Mr S Revell

**Also Present:**

Ms V McNeill –Head of Law and Monitoring Officer  
Mr E Whitfield - Interim Assistant County Solicitor, Essex County Council

**1. Apologies**

There were none.

**2. Election of Chairman**

It was proposed and seconded that Mr Revell be elected Chairman and **RESOLVED** accordingly.

**3. Declaration of Interests**

Mr Revell declared that he knew both parties concerned.

**4. Exclusion of the Public**

The meeting was advised that, with regard to agenda item 5, under regulations there was now no requirement to consider the item under the public interest test as it was not a qualified exemption but an absolute exemption under Section 63 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the information contained in the report was confidential. However, there were no members of the public present to exclude from the meeting.

**5. Consideration of Investigator's Report**

The Monitoring Officer explained to the Committee that the principal reason for the length of time the investigation had taken was ill health. Mr Whitfield had only been asked to take over the investigation in late August as a result of the ill health of the original investigator.

The annexed report (7), containing exempt information was presented. Following discussion, the Sub-Committee

**RESOLVED:**

To accept the Investigator's finding of no failure to comply with the Code of Conduct.

The meeting finished at 4:20pm

CHAIRMAN



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