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TO: **J CAILES (INDEPENDENT MEMBER)**
COUNCILLOR S JONES (ELECTED MEMBER)
PARISH COUNCILLOR M HAMMOND (PARISH REPRESENTATIVE)

CC. **MRS G ROWE (COUNCIL SECRETARY AND SOLICITOR)**
MR G MARTIN (MEMBER SERVICES MANAGER)

Dear Member

A meeting of the **ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE** will be held in the **GROUND FLOOR MEETING ROOM, 52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE, L39 3PB** on **26 APRIL 2010** at **04:00PM** at which your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W J Taylor', written over a horizontal line.

William J Taylor
Chief Executive

Exclusion of the Press and Public

In accordance with paragraph 8(5)(a) of the Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008, part 5A of the Local Government Act 1972 does not apply to this meeting. Members of the press and public are therefore excluded for the purposes of the Assessment Sub-Committee meeting.

The Standards Committee has agreed that this process will remain confidential and subject members have not been notified of the complaint. Complainants and Subject Members are also excluded for the purposes of the Assessment Sub-Committee meeting.

A G E N D A
(Not Open to the Public)

- 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**
To appoint Independent Member, John Cailles as the Chairman for the meeting.

- 2. APOLOGIES**

- 3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**
To be apprised of any changes to the membership of the Sub-Committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.

- 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
If a member requires advice on Declarations of Interest, he/she is advised to contact the Council Secretary and Solicitor in advance of the meeting.
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- 5. COMPLAINTS OF BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT - LG5/48**
To consider the report of the Council Secretary and Solicitor. (Item deferred from the previous meeting for further information.) **Page(s) 77 to 98**

- 6. COMPLAINTS OF BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT - LG5/49**
To consider the report of the Council Secretary and Solicitor.
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FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE: Please see attached sheet.
MOBILE PHONES: These should be switched off at all meetings.

*For further information, please contact:-
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or email
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FIRE PRECAUTIONS ACT 1971
FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE FOR MEETINGS WHERE OFFICERS ARE
PRESENT
(52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK)

PERSON IN CHARGE: Most Senior Officer present
FIRE MARSHAL: Member Services Officer / Lawyer
DOOR WARDEN(S) Usher / Caretaker

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

1. Operate the nearest **FIRE CALL POINT** by breaking the glass.
2. Attack the fire with the extinguishers provided only if you have been trained and it is safe to do so. **Do not** take risks.

ON HEARING THE FIRE ALARM

1. Leave the building via the **NEAREST SAFE EXIT**. **Do not stop** to collect personal belongings.
2. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** on the car park and report your presence to the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.
3. **DO NOT** return to the premises until authorised to do so by the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.

NOTES:

Officers are required to direct all visitors regarding these procedures i.e. exit routes and place of assembly.

The only persons not required to report to the Assembly Point are the Door Wardens.

CHECKLIST FOR PERSON IN CHARGE

1. Advise other interested parties present that you are the person in charge in the event of an evacuation.
2. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire escape routes and inform any interested parties of the escape routes.
3. Make yourself familiar with the location of the assembly point and inform any interested parties of that location.
4. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire alarm and detection control panel.
5. Ensure that the fire marshals and door wardens are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
6. Arrange for a register of attendance to be completed (if considered appropriate / practicable).

IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE, OR THE FIRE ALARM BEING SOUNDED

1. Ensure that the room in which the meeting is being held is cleared of all persons.
2. Evacuate via the nearest safe Fire Exit and proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** in the car park.
3. Delegate a person at the **ASSEMBLY POINT** who will proceed to the **WARDENCALL SECTION** in Westec House in order to ensure that a back-up call is made to the **FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**.

4. Delegate another person to ensure that **DOOR WARDENS** have been posted outside the relevant Fire Exit Doors.
5. Ensure that the **FIRE MARSHAL** has reported to you on the results of his checks, i.e. that the rooms in use have been cleared of all persons.
6. If an Attendance Register has been taken, take a **ROLL CALL**.
7. Report the results of these checks to the **FIRE AND RESCUE OFFICER IN CHARGE** on arrival and inform them of the location of the **FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL**.
8. Authorise return to the building only when it is cleared to do so by the **FIRE AND RESCUE OFFICER IN CHARGE**. Inform the **DOOR WARDENS** to allow re-entry to the building.

NOTE:

The Fire Alarm system will automatically call the FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE. The purpose of the 999 back-up call is to meet a requirement of the Fire Precautions Act to supplement the automatic call.

CHECKLIST FOR FIRE MARSHAL

1. Carry out a physical check of the rooms being used for the meeting, including adjacent toilets, kitchen.
2. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS**, both officers and members of the public are made aware of the **FIRE ALERT**.
3. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS** evacuate **IMMEDIATELY**, in accordance with the **FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**.
4. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** and report to the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that the rooms within your control have been cleared.
5. Assist the **PERSON IN CHARGE** to discharge their duties.

It is desirable that the **FIRE MARSHAL** should be an **OFFICER** who is normally based in this building and is familiar with the layout of the rooms to be checked.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOOR WARDENS

1. Stand outside the **FIRE EXIT DOOR(S)**
2. Keep the **FIRE EXIT DOOR SHUT**.
3. Ensure that **NO PERSON**, whether staff or public enters the building until **YOU** are told by the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that it is safe to do so.
4. If anyone attempts to enter the premises, report this to the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.
5. Do not leave the door **UNATTENDED**.