

STANDARDS COMMITTEE: 26 NOVEMBER 2012

Minute 16 – Extraordinary meeting of the Council: 19 June 2012

16. LOCALISM ACT 2011 - THE NEW STANDARDS REGIME - DUTY, STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND ARRANGEMENTS

Consideration was given to the joint report of the Managing Director (People & Places) and the Borough Solicitor, as contained on pages 73 to 86 of the Book of Reports, which detailed proposals in relation to the introduction of a new Standards regime as required by the Localism Act 2011 (the Act) including establishing a Standards Committee and related arrangements.

Minute 7 of the Standards Committee meeting held on 14 June 2012 was circulated.

A Motion was moved and seconded in the following terms:

- "A. That from 1 July 2012 the Council establish a Standards Committee, comprising 6 elected members, namely 3 Conservative Members and 3 Labour Members, subject to review in 6 months by the Managing Director (People and Places) in consultation with the Leader and the Leader of the Labour Group.*
- B. That Councillor Grant be appointed Chairman and Councillor Fillis be appointed Vice Chairman of the Standards Committee from 1 July 2012.*
- C. That the "Standards Regime Arrangements" attached as Appendix 1 be approved and the Managing Director (People and Places) work with the Parishes on these new arrangements.*
- D. That the updated Functions of the Standards Committee as set out in Article 9, the updated Constitution 4.1 and the updated extract from the Scheme of Delegation to the Managing Director (People and Places) attached as Appendices 2, 3 and 4 respectively be approved, subject to resolutions A and B above and to the deletion of all references to Independent Members and Parish Representatives / Parish members."*

A vote was taken and the Motion was CARRIED unanimously.

RESOLVED: A. That from 1 July 2012 the Council establish a Standards Committee, comprising 6 elected members, namely 3 Conservative Members and 3 Labour Members, subject to review in 6 months by the Managing Director (People and Places) in consultation with the Leader and the Leader of the Labour Group.

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