

**Minutes of the  
Standards Committee**

**26 June 2006**

<b>Councillors</b>	<b>Independent Members</b>	<b>Parish Council Reps</b>
Keith Dollemore	Anthony Case	Christopher Kemp (Lancing)
Liza McKinney	Miss Santosh Bhabra	Ken Bashford (Sompting)
Angie Mills		

- = Absent

The Monitoring Officer was in the Chair.

**S/123/06-07 Election of a Chairperson**

Councillor Keith Dollemore, seconded by Councillor Angie Mills, proposed that Councillor Liza McKinney be elected as Chairperson. This was agreed.

**Resolved** that Councillor Liza McKinney be appointed as the Chairperson of the Committee for the period to the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2007.

Councillor Liza McKinney took the Chair.

**S/124/06-07 Election of a Vice-Chairperson**

Councillor Keith Dollemore, seconded by Councillor Angie Mills, proposed that Mr Anthony Case be elected as Vice-Chairperson. This was agreed.

**Resolved** that Mr Anthony Case be appointed as the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee for the period to the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2007.

**S/125/06-07 Questions & Statements by the Public**

There were no questions from the member of the public present.

**S/126/06-07 Confirmation of the Minutes**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 24 October 2005 be approved as a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairperson.

**S/127/06-07 Items Raised under Urgency Provisions**

There were no items to be considered under the urgency provisions.

**S/128/06-07 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **S/129/06-07 Applications for Dispensations**

There were no applications for dispensations.

### **S/130/06-07 Draft Forward Work Programme 2006/07**

The Chairperson led a discussion by the Committee on the Forward Work Programme. The Chairperson asked the members to consider as to whether they would like the Monitoring Officer to look at and produce a policy on the practical arrangements for the hearing of the Standards Sub-Committee. The members agreed that this should be looked into.

The Committee also felt that they would like dates to be in filled within the Work Programme, a report on Members Interests come before them at their meeting in September and a report on dispensations to come before them at their meeting in December.

#### **Resolved:**

- a) that it be agreed the following be inserted into the work programme:-
  - (i) guidance on members interests (11-09-06);
  - (ii) guidance on dispensations (11-09-06);
  - (iii) the draft practical arrangements for a hearing by the Standards Sub-Committee(18-12-06);
- b) that the draft work programme as set out be agreed;

### **S/131/06-07 Training Needs**

The Committee watched a DVD 'Going Local' Investigations and hearings which was produced by the Standards Board.

**Resolved:** that there were no further training needs at this time

### **S/132/06-07 Ethnical Governance Audit**

The Monitoring Officer introduced the item to the Committee and invited members to comment on how they would like to progress with this item.

The Committee felt that this was a resource intense exercise and at the present no further action should be taken. This was agreed by the Monitoring Officer.

**Resolved** that the Committee do not look into this any further at present

### **S/133/06-07 Membership of the Committee**

The Chairperson thanked Santosh Bhabra on behalf of the Committee for her interest and dedication.

The Monitoring Officer provided an update to the Committee members on the current situation with recruiting a replacement for Santosh Bhabra.

**Resolved:** that it be noted that Santosh Bhabra will be retiring from the Committee in September 2006 and that the Monitoring Officer will continue the recruitment process for a replacement

The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON