



North Tyneside Council

Standards Committee

26 February 2014

Thursday 6 March 2014 Room 0.01, Ground Floor, Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park, North Tyneside commencing at 4.00 pm.

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1. Apologies for Absence	-
To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.	
2. Appointment of Substitute Members	-
To be notified of the appointment of any Substitute Members.	
3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations	-
You are invited to declare any registerable and/or non-registerable interests in matters appearing on the agenda, and the nature of that interest.	
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4.	Minutes To confirm the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 5 December 2013.	4-10
5.	Invited Guests The Chair and Deputy Chair of Council, and the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee, are invited to engage in discussions with the Standards Committee on ethical governance and the promotion of high ethical standards by elected Members and Co-opted members.	
6.	Action Plan and Work Programme 2013/14 To advise the Committee of the action plan and work programme of the Committee for the year up to 31 March 2014.	11-13
7.	Training Update To advise Members of Member training events recently organised and the attendance of Members at those events.	14-19
8.	Social Media Guidance To inform the Committee of the development of guidance and policies in relation to the use of social media by Members, Officers and Service Areas.	20-21
9.	Code of Conduct for Members - Public Engagement To inform the Committee of the development of a public engagement process in relation to the Code of Conduct for Members and Co-opted Members.	32-33

Circulated to All Members of the Standards Committee:

Councillor Jim Allan

Councillor David Corkey (Chair)

Councillor Carl Johnson (Deputy Chair)

Councillor Frank Lott

Councillor Paul Mason

Councillor Jean McLaughlin

Councillor John O'Shea

Councillor Lesley Spillard

Councillor Michael Huscroft

Also circulated to:

Mr George Clark – Independent Person

Mrs Stella Gardner – Independent Person