

# Standards Committee

11 June 2014

**Thursday 19 June 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 nonregisterable interests in matters appearing on the agenda, and the nature of that interest.

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### **Circulated to All Members of the Standards Committee:**

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Councillor David Corkey (Deputy Chair)

Councillor Peter Earley

Councillor Sandra Graham

Councillor Ed Hodson

Councillor Carl Johnson (Chair)

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Councillor Paul Mason

Councillor John O'Shea

# Also circulated to:

Mr George Clark – Independent Person Mrs Stella Gardner – Independent Person