



**North Tyneside Council**

# Standards Committee

24 February 2016

**Thursday 3 March 2016, Room 0.01, Ground Floor, Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park, North Tyneside commencing at 4.00 pm.**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Page</b>
<b>1. Apologies for Absence</b>	
To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.	
<b>2. Appointment of Substitute Members</b>	
To be notified of the appointment of any Substitute Members.	
<b>3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations</b>	
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4. <b>Minutes</b>	3 - 9
To confirm the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 17 December 2015.	
5. <b>Invited Guests</b>	-
Mr M Scrimshaw, Chair of the North East Combined Authority Governance Committee and Independent Chair of Newcastle City Council Standards Committee, is invited to engage in a dialogue with the Committee on ethical Governance and standards procedures.	
6. <b>Draft Annual Report and Action Plan 2015-16</b>	10 - 22
To consider the Draft Annual Report 2015-16 and update on the Action Plan/Work Programme of the Committee for the year up to 31 March 2016 and current progress.	
7. <b>Review of Code of Conduct for Members and Local Arrangements</b>	23 - 75
To consider a report on the outcome of an engagement process with all Members of the Council to identify suggestions for change to the Code of Conduct for Members or the Local Arrangements that are considered necessary.	

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

Councillor Jim Allan  
 Councillor Peter Earley (Deputy Chair)  
 Councillor Sandra Graham  
 Councillor Nigel Huscroft  
 Councillor Carl Johnson (Chair)  
 Councillor Frank Lott  
 Councillor Maureen Madden  
 Councillor Paul Mason  
 Councillor John O'Shea

**Also circulated to:**

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