

# **Standards Committee**

- Date: FRIDAY, 14 JUNE 2013
- Time: 1.45pm

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM 1, 2ND FLOOR, WEST WING, GUILDHALL

- Members: The Revd Dr Martin Dudley Deputy Robin Eve Alan Graham (External Member) Howard Lederman (External Member) Oliver Lodge Edward Lord Felicity Lusk (External Member) Alderman Julian Malins Vacancy – Common Councilman Vacancy- External Member
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#### Lunch will be served in the Guildhall Club at 1pm

#### John Barradell Town Clerk and Chief Executive

# AGENDA

## Part 1 - Public Agenda

#### 1. APOLOGIES

## 2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

# 3. ORDER OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

To receive the Order of the Court of Common Council, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

For Information (Pages 1 - 2)

#### 4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

To elect a Chairman pursuant to Standing Order No. 29.

**For Decision** 

#### 5. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

To elect a Deputy Chairman pursuant to Standing Order No. 30.

For Decision

#### 6. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

For Decision

(Pages 3 - 8)

#### 7. STANDARDS COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE AND FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS REPORT

A report of the Town Clerk relative to the Standards Committee's terms of reference and the frequency of meetings. The Committee is asked to note amendments to the terms of reference in respect of politically restricted posts, to receive meeting dates for the remainder of 2013; and to approve the meeting dates for 2014.

For Decision

(Pages 9 - 16)

#### 8. ETHICAL STANDARDS - AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT

At its meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2013, the Committee considered a report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life – "Standards Matter."

As per the draft minute (attached at **Appendix 1**), it was agreed that the issue of ethical standards in respect of service delivery, especially where contractors are engaged, should be explored in more detail to ensure consistency across the organisation and, if necessary, appropriate monitoring and review of ethical standards issues.

The Chamberlain to be heard relative to this matter.

**For Decision** 

(Pages 17 - 94)

#### 9. **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

A joint report of the Town Clerk and the Comptroller & City Solicitor relative to requests from Members for dispensations from the Standards Committee to allow them to speak and vote on housing and Council Tax issues where they have a beneficial interest in land within the area of the City of London Corporation.

The Committee is asked to approve the list of written requests for dispensations. The list reflects those written requests for dispensations which have been received since the Ward Elections in March 2013 and any Aldermanic elections since February 2013.

For Decision (Pages 95 - 100)

#### 10. DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY OR URGENCY

The Committee is asked to note a report of the Town Clerk in respect of a decision taken under Delegated Authority (in accordance with Standing Order No. 41(b)) since the last meeting.

For Information (Pages 101 - 106)

#### 11. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

#### 12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT