

Standards Regime Review Working Party

Addendum – to be read in conjunction with Item 18

1. Appendix 1, Code of Conduct, paragraph (n) (page 55): the words 'Members have an obligation to comply with the requirements of the Equality Act 2010' should be added to the end of the paragraph. This relates to paragraph 13.3 of the covering report (page 43).
2. Appendix 2, Complaints Procedure:
 - paragraphs 16-17 (pages 64-65): the words 'Where there are allegations of criminality, racial abuse or sexual harassment, the Chief Commoner and the Aldermanic Chairmen shall be under an obligation to pass such matters for assessment' should be added to the end of paragraph 16. In addition to this, the words 'sanctions imposed' in paragraph 17 should be replaced with 'suggested course of action'. This relates to paragraph 13.7 of the main report (page 44).
 - paragraph 74 (page 76): the words 'The Standards Appeal Committee may also remit a matter back to the Hearing Sub-Committee to be re-heard if deemed appropriate to do so' should be added to the end of the paragraph. This relates to paragraph 18.2 of the main report (page 50).
 - paragraph 10 (page 63): the words 'the Chief Commoner' be replaced with 'A former Chief Commoner'. This relates to paragraph 18.2 of the covering report (page 50).
 - Paragraph 67 (page 74): the sentence beginning 'Where unavailable, or conflicted....' will be replaced with the words 'Where unavailable, or conflicted, the Aldermanic Chairmen may be represented by an Alderman past the Chair, and the other ex officio Members (with the exception of former Chief Commoners), may be represented by their respective Deputy Chairmen'.
 - paragraph 33(iv) (page 68): the words 'except in exceptional circumstances' be added to the end of the paragraph. This relates to paragraph 14.5 of the covering report (page 46).
 - paragraph 46 (page 70): the words 'unless in exceptional circumstances' should be added after the words '...the original complaint being assessed.' This relates to paragraph 14.5 of the covering report (page 46).