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**Dear Councillor** 

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE - 12th April, 2010 at 6.00pm

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Standards Committee to be held at 6.00pm on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 in Committee Room 4 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 5.00pm. Please inform Joe Jablonski on the telephone number above at least 48 hours before the meeting if a meal IS NOT required or if a vegetarian or special dietary meal IS required.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's website <a href="www.dudley.gov.uk">www.dudley.gov.uk</a> (Follow the links to Council Decision Making and Committee Information)

Yours sincerely

**Director of Corporate Resources** 

## AGENDA

## APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

#### APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBER

To report the appointment of any substitutes for this meeting of the Committee.

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

#### 4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2010 (copy attached).

5. POLITICALLY RESTRICTED POSTS (PAGES 1 – 9)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer

6. THE ANTI FRAUD AND CORRUPTION STRATEGY (PAGES 10 – 23)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer

7. REVISED CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (PAGES 24 – 50)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer

- 8. VERBAL UPDATE FOLLOWING THE CHAIRMAN AND MONITORING OFFICER'S MEETING WITH THE GROUP LEADERS
- 9. STANDARDS FOR ENGLAND REVIEW OF THE LOCAL STANDARDS FRAMEWORK (PAGES 51 60)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer

10. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE 2008/2009 (PAGES 61 - 89)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer

11. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8

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