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Please Ask For: Mr J Jablonski Telephone No: 01384 815243

24th January, 2006

Dear Member,

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Standards Committee to be held at 6.00pm on Thursday, 2nd February, 2006, in Committee Room No. 4 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE THAT at the end of the meeting the Committee will be invited to view a DVD recently issued by the Standards Board for England giving guidance on how to conduct local investigations and determinations. The DVD lasts approximately 35 minutes.

Yours sincerely,

John Prycens

Director of Law and Property

<u>A G E N D A</u>

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 16th January, 2006 (copy attached).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest, in accordance with the Member's code of conduct.

To: All Members of the Standards Committee, as follows:-Councillors Fraser-MacNamara, Hart, Male, Ms. Partridge, Tyler and J. Woodall The Bishop of Dudley Mrs Jabeen

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3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE FRAMEWORK GOVERNING STANDARDS OF CONDUCT (PAGES 1 – 7)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer.

- 6. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCUEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)
- 7. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Schedule 12(A) of that Act, in particular the paragraph of Part I of that Schedule indicated below:-

<u>Agenda Item No</u>	Description of Item	Relevant Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12(A)
8	Guide for Members on Internet Access, Use of E- Mail and Councillors' Websites	1

8. GUIDE FOR MEMBERS ON INTERNET ACCESS, USE OF E-MAIL AND COUNCILLORS' WEBSITES (PAGES 8 – 17)

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer.