

## **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5 JANUARY 2009**

Present: Dr S Bradley (Independent Member) (Vice Chairman) in the Chair;

Councillors: N Clarkson; B Dixon Mrs M Docherty; G Garrity; R Salkeld; Mrs M B Woodburn

Mr R Stewart (Parish Member)

Mr V Chilton (Parish Member)

Apologies for absence were received from Mr N Woodcock (Independent Member), Chairman.

Officers: M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; T Capper Democratic Services Manager

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2008 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **STA 10     Induction Training for New Members**

The Committee considered proposals for induction training for the recently appointed new members of the Standards Committee, including the externally facilitated workshop included in the Committee's Workplan but deferred pending recruitment of new independent members.

**RESOLVED** – (a) that the proposals for induction training set out in para 2.2 A-D of the report be agreed;

(b) the Committee is represented at the training event in Kendal by Dr S Bradley and Mr A Payne

(c) the proposal for an externally facilitated workshop be deferred to later in the year; and

(d) the Standards Board's practical exercises on Local Assessment be repeated on a date to be agreed.

#### **STA 11     Refresher Training for Town and Parish Councils**

The Committee noted arrangements for refresher training for town and parish council members on 22 and 29 January and 2 February.

**STA 12**    **Adjudication Panel Advice**

The Committee noted advice from the Adjudication Panel on referrals of cases from Standards Committees to the Panel, which the Panel had asked to be circulated to Standards Committees for information.

**STA 13**    **Standards Board for England Bulletin 41**

The Committee noted the contents of Standards Board for England Bulletin 41 and agreed that future editions be e-mailed direct to members of the Committee.

The meeting closed at 3.25 pm

Chairman

