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## **BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK JOINT STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Date: 14 August 2012

**Venue: Lecture Theatre, Mid Suffolk District Council Offices**

**Date/Time: Thursday 23 August 2012 at 2.00 pm**

**To: All Members of the Joint Committee:**

### **Members**

Mr A C Bavington  
Mr A F D W Osborne  
Mr C A Roberts

Mr G Brewster  
Mrs E Gibson Harries  
Mr D J Osborne

### **Co-opted Members**

Mr J G Watson

Mr C A Reeve  
Mrs N Willshere

## **AGENDA**

### **1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

### **2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

To elect a Chairman of the Joint Standards Committee for the municipal year 2012/13. Pursuant to the Articles of Constitution of the Joint Standards Committee, the Chairman must be an elected member of the Committee.

### **3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

To elect a Vice-Chairman of the Joint Standards Committee for the municipal year 2012/13. Pursuant to the Articles of Constitution of the Joint Standards Committee, the Vice-Chairman must be an elected member of the Committee.

### **4. APOLOGIES**

To receive apologies for absence (if any).

### **5. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items to be considered at the meeting

6. **PETITIONS**

To receive any petitions submitted to the Chief Executive.

7. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

The Chairman to answer any questions on any matters in relation to which the Councils have powers or duties which affect either District and which fall within the terms of reference of the Joint Committee and of which due notice has been given.

8. **ARRANGEMENTS FOR CO-OPTED MEMBERS**

The Monitoring Officer to report that the appointment of co-opted members of the Committee will be affirmed at the next meeting of Full Council of each Authority. At the same time a report from the Independent Remuneration Panel on the allowances for co-opted members and the Chairman of the Committee will be presented.

9. **ADOPTION OF COMPLAINTS PROCESS**

[Report JST/01/12](#)

Written report from the Monitoring Officer.

10. **DISPENSATIONS**

[Report JST/02/12](#)

Written report from the Monitoring Officer.

11. **STATISTICAL REPORTS**

[Report JST/03/12](#)

Written report from the Monitoring Officer.

12. **WORKPLAN**

The Joint Committee will be asked to identify items for future meetings to discharge the Councils' duty to promote and maintain high ethical standards.

13. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC (WHICH TERM INCLUDES THE PRESS)**

To consider whether, pursuant to Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public should be excluded from the meeting for the business specified below on the grounds that if the public it is likely that:-

- (i) there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information by virtue of Paragraphs 1 and 2 ; and
- (ii) that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

14. **REPORT OF AN INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED ON BEHALF OF THE MONITORING OFFICER – Case No. 31283**

**[Report JST/04/12](#)**

To consider attached report by the Monitoring Officer.

15. **REPORT OF AN INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED ON BEHALF OF THE MONITORING OFFICER – Case No. 31092 (1) & (2)**

**[Report JST/05/12](#)**

To consider attached report by the Monitoring Officer.