

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Do you want to make an active contribution to standards in public life in South Derbyshire ?

South Derbyshire District Council's Standards Committee plays a vital role in promoting and maintaining the highest standards of conduct by Members of South Derbyshire District Council and all the Parishes in its area.

We are looking for 3 Independent Members who will be appointed for either a two, three or four year period to sit on our Standards Committee. The Chairman of the Committee is an independent, non-elected Member. As well as their other duties, the Independent Chairman and two other Members of the Committee form the Sub-Committees to deal with complaints about Members' misconduct.

There is an allowance of £294 per annum. This increases to £2,286 for the Chairman of the Committee. Travel and Dependant/Childcare Allowance are also payable in appropriate cases.

To be eligible for this role, you must not be a member of any political party, or have been a South Derbyshire District Council Member or Officer during the last five years, or be a relative or close friend of a South Derbyshire District Council Member or Officer. You must live or work in South Derbyshire and have some knowledge of Local Government. Most importantly, you must have a commitment to high standards of behaviour in all aspects of public and private life.

Meetings of the Committee are held at the Council Offices in Swadlincote, normally late afternoon or evening, and about four times a year. Sub-Committee meetings are held on an ad hoc basis, as and when necessary, during the day.

If you feel you have the experience, personal skills and qualities required, further details and application forms are available from:-

Customer Services,
South Derbyshire District Council,
Civic Offices,
Civic Way,
Swadlincote,
Derbyshire. DE11 OAH

Tel: 01283 595707

or log on to the Council's website – www.south-derbys.gov.uk

The closing date for the return of completed application forms is
_____ May 2009

Should you wish to have an informal discussion about the role of Independent Members, please contact Andrea McCaskie, Head of Legal and Democratic Services and Monitoring Officer on (01283) 595831 or: andrea.mccaskie@south-derbys.gov.uk