

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

15th December 2008

PRESENT:-

District Council Member

Councillor Mrs. Hood (Conservative Group).

Parish Member

Mr. K. Fairbrother (Castle Gresley Parish Council).

Independent Members

Mr. D. R. Williams (Chairman), Mr. R Pearson, Mr. P. B. Purnell and Mr. T. Thompson.

SC/23. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from District Councillor Mrs. Mead (Labour Group) and Ms. C. Barker (Barrow-on-Trent Parish Council).

SC/24. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Ms. C. Barker (Barrow-on-Trent Parish Council) had previously declared a prejudicial interest in the item due to her direct involvement and, having tendered an apology, did not attend the Meeting. District Councillor Mrs. Mead had declared a prejudicial interest in the item due to an association with the complainant during her Term of Office as Chairman of the Council and, having tendered an apology, did not attend the Meeting.

Mr. P.B. Purnell declared a personal interest in the matter concerned as he knew the complainant whilst being the post holder of a public body from five years previously.

MATTER DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

SC/25. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT INTO AN INVESTIGATION ALLEGING A BREACH OF THE MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT (Paragraph 7 [c])

The Committee considered an Investigating Officer's report into allegations concerning a failure to comply with the Members' Code of Conduct. The Committee agreed with the conclusion that there had been no failure to comply with the Code and that no action needed to be taken with regard to the matters which were the subject of the investigation.

D. R. WILLIAMS

CHAIRMAN