

# ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL



## Standards Committee

### agenda

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***Date***

**14 April 2005**

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***Time***

**7.30pm**

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***Place***

Committee Room 4  
Civic Suite  
Rayleigh

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## **Members of the Standards Committee**

### **District Council Members**

Cllr J M Pullen (Chairman)  
Cllr C A Hungate (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr P A Capon  
Cllr Mrs S A Harper

Cllr C J Lumley

### **Parish Member**

Cllr R E Vingoe, Hockley Parish Council

### **Independent Members**

Mr A C Comber  
Mr B M Flynn

Mr D J Cottis

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*Conservative Group*

*Liberal Democrat Group*

Cllr M Steptoe, Barling Magna Parish Council

### **Terms of Reference**

To promote and maintain high standards of conduct with the Council and exercise the Council's functions in relation to:

- Standards of Conduct of Members (including Parish Members) under regulation and statutory provision.
- Codes of Conduct for Officers and Members.
- Monitoring and Regulation of discretionary components of Members remuneration.
- Assistance of Members & Co-opted Members through Training and Guidance.
- Determination of minimum levels of competency training for Members.
- Monitor of Members' attendance at meetings and training.

**The Council's vision is to make Rochford the place of choice in the County to live, work and visit.**

**The Council's principal aims are to:-**

- Provide quality, cost effective services
- Work towards a safer and more caring community
- Promote a green and sustainable environment
- Encourage a thriving local economy
- Improve the quality of life for people in our District
- Maintain and enhance our local heritage

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- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Substitutes**
- 3 Non-Members attending**
- 4 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 November 2004**
- 5 To Receive Declarations of Interest**
- 6 Sutton Parish Council – Request for Dispensation** 6.1  

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) on a request for dispensation under S81(4) of the Local Government Act 2000 for Sutton Parish Council.
- 7 Member Training Programme 2005/06** 7.1  

To consider the report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services on proposals for the Member Training Programme 2005/06 and attendance at training courses in 2004/05.
- 8 “Getting The Balance Right” – Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life** 8.1  

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) on the conclusions of the Committee on Standards in Public Life in their recent publication “Getting the Balance Right” and, in particular, implications for the role of Standards Committees.
- 9 A Code for the Future – Consultation by Standards Board for England** 9.1  

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) on a consultation document from the Standards Board for England entitled ‘A Code for the Future’.

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) on the programme for the Fourth Annual Assembly of Standards Committees and the attendance of delegates.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Warren', with a large, stylized initial 'P'.

Paul Warren  
Chief Executive