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## 2009 ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF STANDARDS COMMITTEES – “BRINGING STANDARDS INTO FOCUS”

### 1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members of the programme for the above and agree the delegates to attend.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The “Seventh Annual Assembly” held in October 2008 was attended by Independent Members Mrs Lynda Walker and Mr David Cottis and Cllr Jeremy Thomass. Feedback from the 2008 assembly was provided to this Committee on 11 December 2008 (Min. 363).

### 3 2009 ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

- 3.1 The 2009 Annual Assembly – “Bringing Standards into Focus” will be held on 12 and 13 October 2009 at the International Convention Centre, Birmingham.
- 3.2 This year the focus will be on experiences, expertise, challenges and successes achieved and provide the opportunity to discuss how local standards are being delivered and share good practice, ideas and innovations. More information is available via the Standards Board for England web site at [www.annualassembly.co.uk](http://www.annualassembly.co.uk).

### 4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The cost to attend the Annual Assembly this year is the same as last year at £430 per delegate for the full two-day conference and £230 per delegate for one-day, inclusive of conference materials and refreshments (Monday dinner and lunch on the days attending).
- 4.2 The cost to attend the 2009 Annual Assembly of Standards Committees, with overnight accommodation for two nights in Birmingham, is estimated to be £720 per delegate, excluding travel, parking and meals not provided at the event.

### 5 RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES** to determine the delegates to attend the 2009 Annual Assembly of Standards Committees.

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**Background Papers:-**

None

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