

# M MINUTES

meeting: **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

date: **28 JULY 2011**

**PRESENT:-**

Councillors Mrs Bradley, Gwinnett, O'Neill, T Singh and Wynne.  
Mr R Aithal, Mr J Harris, Mr G W Hurd, Mr A W Lee, Mr W Parker and  
Mr R C Tyler-Morris (Independent Members)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors  
Samuels and Turner.

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:-**

Delivery Directorate

L Banbury	-	Democratic Support Officer
F Davis	-	Group Manager (Advocacy Services)

**Wolverhampton**  
City Council



**Declarations of Interest**

14 No interests were declared.

**Minutes**

15 Resolved:-  
That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2011 be approved as a correct record.

**Revision of the Constitution 2011/2012 – Cabinet portfolio Responsibilities and Financial Procedure Rules**

16 Pursuant to resolution 7, the Group Manager advised that a revised version of the Constitution had now been uploaded onto the Council's website.

**Schedule of Outstanding Minutes (Appendix 14)**

The Democratic Support Officer submitted a report, which set out a schedule of outstanding minutes, together with an indication as to when it was expected that reports on individual items would be presented for consideration.

17 Resolved:-  
(a) That the report be received.  
  
(b) That the Committee be advised when any further training for Members and Officers will be arranged, together with details of the content of the proposed training events.

**Allegations of Misconduct**

18 The Democratic Support Officer advised that the Monitoring Officer had sought comments from Members who had been through the system, with a view to establishing some measures of satisfaction in connection with the Standards Committee procedures and that a report on this issue would be presented to the next meeting.

**Monitoring Officer's Report (Appendix 15)**

The Group Manager presented a report, which drew attention to matters in regard to the future of Standards for England, the Standards regime and local assessment.

19 Resolved:-  
(a) That the report be received.  
  
(b) That a report be presented to the next meeting on the progress of the Localism Bill, with particular reference to the requirement for local authorities to have a Standards Committee.