Medway Council

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Civic Suite Civic Centre Strood Tuesday, 16 March 2004 7pm

AGENDA

1 RECORD OF THE MEETING

To agree and sign the record of the meeting held on 24 September 2003.

- 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 3 URGENT MATTERS BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES
- 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- (a) Personal interests under the Medway Code of Conduct;
- (b) Prejudicial interests under the Medway Code of Conduct.

A councillor who declares a prejudicial interest must withdraw from the room unless a dispensation has been obtained from the Council's Standards Committee.

If an interest is not declared at the outset of the meeting, it should be disclosed as soon as the interest becomes apparent.

5 PROTOCOL FOR MUTUAL ASSISTANCE BY KENT AND MONITORING OFFICERS

This report asks members to consider a proposed protocol for co-operation between monitoring officers where they are unable to act within their own authorities due to a conflict of interest.

6 CIPFA/SOLACE CODE OF GOVERNANCE

The purpose of this report is for the committee to consider its role in monitoring the operation of the CIPFA/SOLACE code of governance at Medway.

7 PLANNING CODE OF CONDUCT

This report advises members of the outcome of the consultation on the draft planning code of conduct and seeks the agreement of the committee to refer to the code of conduct to Full Council for adoption on 7 April 2004.

8 UPDATE ON STANDARDS ISSUES

The purpose of this report is to update members on key developments relating to the work of the committee.

- 9 DISPENSATIONS
- 10 FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME

Judith Armitt Chief Executive

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8 March 2004