

Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority
Standards Committee Meeting
at Brigade Headquarters, Shrewsbury
on Wednesday, 1 August 2007 at 5.15 pm

Agenda

- 1 Election of Chair**
To elect a Chair for the ensuing year.
- 2 Appointment of Vice-Chair**
To appoint a Vice-Chair for the ensuing year.
- 3 Apologies for Absence**
- 4 Declarations of Interest**
Members are reminded that they should declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests at this point and that they should leave the meeting before any item, in which they have a prejudicial interest, is discussed.
- 5 Minutes**
Members are asked to agree the minutes of the last meeting of the Standards Committee, held on 16 April 2007, and that they be signed as a correct record. Attached marked **5. For decision**
- 6 Public Questions**
To receive any questions, statements or petitions, of which notice has been received, from members of the public.
- 7 Revised Code of Conduct for Members of Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority**
A revised Model Code of Conduct for elected Members has come into effect following a consultation process. Members of the Fire Authority have considered the Code and have delegated authority to the Standards Committee for the adoption of the Code together with alterations/amendments. Attached marked **7. For decision**
- 8 Amended Procedures in relation to Local Determinations, Investigations and Hearings**
This report seeks approval of the draft procedures for Local Determinations, Investigations and Hearings, which are attached as appendices to the report. Attached marked **8. For decision**



9 Annual Review by the Standards Board for England

This report briefly outlines the contents of the Annual Review.
Attached marked **9. For information**

10 Standards Board Bulletin

Attached, marked **10 and 10a** respectively, are the latest Bulletins (no. 33 – May 2007 and no. 34 – July 2007) issued by the Standards Board for England, copies of which have been emailed to all Members (including the two Independent Members of the Standards Committee). As previously agreed by the Committee, the Bulletins are now brought to Members for discussion. **For information**

11 Ethical Standards Bulletin

Attached, marked **11** is the Spring 2007 edition of the Ethical Standards Bulletin published by Telford & Wrekin Council. A copy has been emailed to all Members (including the two Independent Members of the Standards Committee). As previously agreed by the Committee, the Bulletin is brought to Members for discussion. **For information**

12 West Mercia Independent Members' Forum

A meeting of the West Mercia Independent Members' Forum was held on Wednesday, 11 July 2007 in Worcester. Michael Tebbutt, independent member of Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority Standards Committee attended the meeting and will give a brief verbal summary of the business discussed. **For information**

