### ITEM 4

Time Commenced – 9.09am Time Finished – 9.38am

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE 6 OCTOBER 2009

**Present:** Reverend Canon R B Blowers – Chair

Mrs C McDowall, Mr P Sunderland Councillors Hird, Holmes and Jackson

Officers in Attendance: Stuart Leslie - Chief Legal Officer

David Romaine - Scrutiny and Complaints Manager

#### 14/09 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Dionne Reid.

#### 15/09 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

#### 16/09 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Jackson declared a personal interest in minute no 18/09 because she was the subject of a complaint.

#### 17/09 Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 29 June and 18 August 2009 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

# 18/09 Summary of Progress with Member Complaints Received in 2009

The Committee considered a report setting out details of the progress and outcome of the 13 Member complaints received so far in 2009. It was suggested that for future meetings the report be more detailed but considered as an exempt item.

Resolved to note the report.

# 19/09 Standards Committee Determination of a Complaint – Prior Involvement of a Standards Committee Member

The Committee considered a briefing note summarising guidance issued by Standards for England on prior involvement of a Standards Committee Member in a complaint being determined by the Standards Committee.

#### Resolved to note the guidance.

#### 20/09 Dates of Future Meetings

The Committee agreed the following dates for future meetings, all meetings to commence at 10.00am.

Special Meeting Monday 9 November 2009 Monday 11 January 2010 Monday 19 April 20109 Monday 19 July 2010 Monday 4 October 2010

Chair of the next ensuing meeting at which these minutes were signed