



Derby City Council

Standards Committee
Tuesday 19 July 2016 at 6.00pm

Meeting Room G, Second Floor,
Council House,
Corporation Street, Derby, DE1 2FS

Members: Councillor Shanker (Chair) and Councillors Whitby, Graves, A Holmes, Jackson

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Late items to be Introduced by the Chair
3. Declarations of Interest **Guidance attached**
Members are invited to declare any interests they have in the business on the agenda, including:
 - *disclosable pecuniary interests; and*
 - *whether the Group Whip has been applied in respect of any of the matters under consideration.*
4. Minutes of the meetings held on 1 October 2015, 26 January 2016, 23 February 2016, 22 March 2016 and 5 April 2016 **Attached**
To be noted
5. Report in the Public Interest Issued by Grant Thornton for the Audit of Accounts 2013/14 and 2014/15 **Attached**
6. Referrals to the Monitoring Officer Relating to Taxi Licensing Issues **Attached**
7. Draft Annual Report of the Standards Committee 2015/16 **Attached**
8. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider a resolution to exclude the press and public during consideration of the following items:

“that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1

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of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information”.

9. Summary of Progress with Member Complaints 2015/16

Attached



DECLARING INTERESTS – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF

What matters are being discussed?



DPI

Does the business relate to or is it likely to affect a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI)? This will include the interests of yourself or your partner:

- any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation that they carry on for profit or gain
- any sponsorship they receive including any expenses as a Councillor, election expenses, including any expenses from a Trade Union
- any contracts made between the Council and them
- any beneficial interest they have in land in Derby
- any land licence or tenancy they have in Derby
- any current contract leases or tenancies between the Council and them
- any organisation which has land or a place of business in Derby and in which they have a relevant interest in its shares or its securities

No Yes →

Declare interest and leave (or obtain a dispensation)



Private Interest

Does the business affect the well-being or financial position of (or relate to the approval, consent, licence or permission) for:

- Any member of your family or
- Any person with whom you have a close association; or
- Any organisation of which you are a member or are involved in its management (whether or not appointed to that body by the Council). This would include membership of a governing body or trustee of a charity

Yes

No → You can speak and vote



Will it confer an advantage or disadvantage on your family, close associate or an organisation where you have a private interest more than it affects other people living or working in the ward?

Yes

No → Declare the interest and speak and vote



Speak to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting to avoid risk of allegations of corruption or bias

Cabinet Members - Where an executive member may discharge a function alone and becomes aware of a pecuniary interest in a matter being dealt with or to be dealt with by them, the executive member must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter.

Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) Board Members - You have an interest if any business before an O&S Board relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by the executive or another of the authority's committees; and at the time the decision was made or action was taken, you were a member of the executive or committee and you were present when that decision was made or action was taken. You may attend the meeting for the purpose of answering questions or giving evidence relating to the business and you must leave the room where the meeting is held immediately after making representations, answering questions or giving evidence.