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The Essex County Council and Essex Fire Authority Joint Standards Committee

Date: Monday 24 January 2011
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Room 2

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Agenda

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Part I
(Business to be taken in public)

Membership of the Committee

Appointed by Essex County Council

Independent Members:

Mr D Farrow
Mr A French
Mr C Jackman

Vacancy

Councillors:

R Bass (Chairman of the Council,
ex officio)
C Pond
Mrs M Fisher
M Mackrory
J Pike
D Robinson
K Twitchen
Mrs M Webster
Vacancy

Appointed by Essex Fire Authority

Independent Member:

Mr M Goodswen

Councillors:

S McPherson (Thurrock Borough Council)

R Pearson (Essex County Council)
Fay Evans (Southend Borough Council)

1. Apologies

The Committee Officer to report the receipt (if any).

2. Declarations of Interest

To note any Declarations of Interest made by Members of the Committee.

3. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2010.

4. Matters arising

To note any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

5. Update on Independent Member Recruitment

To receive an oral update on the Independent Member Recruitment by the Chairman and an up date on the elected Essex County Council vacancy from Colin Ismay, Head of Scrutiny and Lead Governance Officer.

6. Progress on the Independent Remuneration Committee Recommendations

To receive an oral update on the progress with the implications for the Committee on the Independent Remuneration Committee Recommendations from Colin Ismay, Head of Scrutiny and Lead Governance Officer.

7. Update on the Future of the Standards Committee Regime

To receive an update on the Future of the Standards Committee Regime, (SC/001/11), from Alex Hallam, Deputy County Solicitor.

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 23 February 2011 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 2.

9. Urgent Part I Business

To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

10. Exclusion of the Public

To consider whether the public (including the press) should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (exclusion is recommended for the items set out in Part II below).

Part II

(Business to be taken in private)

(At the time of preparation there are no items for discussion)

11. Ethical Governance Diagnostic Report

To receive a report (SC/002/11), by the Audit Commission, presented by Margaret Lee, Director for Finance, **(exempt under paragraph 3 - relating to the finance or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information)).**

12. Urgent Part II Business

To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

