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**STANDARDS COMMITTEE
14 FEBRUARY 2003**

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

P Aylett (Chairman), C Boseley, R Fletcher, D Sands

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

J T Metcalf, S J Mills

Upon consideration of the agenda for the Standards Committee meeting held on 14 February 2003 as circulated, copy annexed, action was taken or decisions were reached on individual items as recorded below:

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2002 were confirmed.

2. UPDATE ON NATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

The Committee received a report from the County Secretary detailing national developments in relation to ethical standards issues, since their last meeting.

David Sands reported on a recent Standards Board Regional Roadshow he had attended in Ipswich.

Arising from that the Committee were interested to see the variety of roles performed by Standards Committees in other local authorities. The County Secretary was asked to trawl round a sample of local authorities in the region to see what roles their Standards Committees perform, and report back to the next meeting for information.

The County Secretary would also at the time report on the implications of Regulations under S66 of the Local Government Act 2000, once these were issued.

3. UPDATES ON LOCAL DEVELOPMENTS

The Committee received a report from the County Secretary detailing local developments since their last meeting.

It was noted that a further training session would be arranged for those members not yet trained on the Code.

4. REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL

It was agreed that a précis of items 2 and 3 be presented to the next meeting of the County Council on 1 April 2003.

5. NEXT MEETING

September 2003 – exact date to be agreed.

ANDREW LAYCOCK
County Secretary