

At a Meeting of the **STANDARDS COMMITTEE** held at the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Kilworthy Park, Drake Road, **TAVISTOCK** on **TUESDAY** the **2nd** day of **DECEMBER 2014** at **11.00 am**.

Present: Cllr A F Leech – Chairman
Cllr J Sheldon – Vice-Chairman
Cllr S C Bailey Cllr R E Baldwin
Cllr D Horn Cllr C R Musgrave

Deputy Monitoring Officer
Committee & Ombudsman Link Officer

SC 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs M V L Ewings, J R McInnes and J B Moody.

SC 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

***SC 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th February 2014, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

***SC 4 REQUEST TO GRANT A GENERAL DISPENSATION**

The Monitoring Officer presented a report (page 5 to the Agenda) requesting that a General Dispensation be granted to all 'dual-hatted' Members, which would include Councillors who are members of more than one local authority, in receipt of an allowance from another local authority.

At its Meeting on 4th September 2012, the Standards Committee, under Minute No SC 9 – 2012/2013, granted a general dispensation to all Members of the Council until May 2015 to speak and to vote on specific topics where they would otherwise have had to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest which could have been to the detriment of the Council's lawful business. The proposal before the Committee now was to grant a further General Dispensation to all 'dual-hatted' Members of the Council to enable them to speak and vote on matters relating to other local authorities of which they may be members and receive an allowance for being so: for example as a member of Devon County Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that a General Dispensation be granted to all 'dual-hatted' Members of West Devon Borough Council to speak and to vote on matters where they are a member of another local authority and are in receipt of a Members' Allowance, from the date of this decision until May 2015.

(The Meeting terminated at 11.25 am.)