

Standards Committee

17 January 2018

Thursday, 25 January 2018, Room 0.08 & 0.09, Ground Floor, Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park, North Tyneside, commencing at **6.00 pm.**

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1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. Appointment of Substitute Members

To be notified of the appointment of any Substitute Members.

3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

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	To confirm the minutes of the previous Standards Committee meeting held on 31 August 2017.	
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	To consider progress on the Action Plan/Work Programme of the Standards Committee for 2017/18.	
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	To receive a report on the Committee on Standards in Public Life's recent review of intimidation of Parliamentary candidates and the broader implications for other holders of public office	
7.	Meeting Chairing Skills	17
	To receive a report on the development of a bullet point list of chairing	

skills with references to the recently updated "A councillors workbook on chairing skills" published by the Local Government Association

Circulated to All Members of the Standards Committee:

Councillor Brian Burdis

(LGA).

Councillor Eddie Darke

Councillor Peter Earley

Councillor Janet Hunter

Councillor Carl Johnson (Chair)

Councillor Frank Lott

Councillor Paul Mason

Councillor Bruce Pickard

Councillor Martin Rankin (Deputy Chair)

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Mr George Clark – Independent Person Ms Stella Gardner – Independent Person