

**London Borough of Islington**  
**Standards Committee – 31st March 2008**

Non-confidential minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held at the Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 31st March 2008

**Present:** Father Jim Kennedy, Eric Sorensen, Diana Gibbs and Godfrey Stadlen  
Councillors Terry Stacy and Richard Watts

Councillor Paula Belford and Jane McNeill also attended

**Father Jim Kennedy in the Chair**

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item 1)**  
Councillor Kelly.
2. **DECLARATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item 2)**  
None.
3. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Item 3)**  
None.
4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**  
**RESOLVED:**  
That the minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and the Chair be authorised to sign them.
5. **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE (Item 5)**  
**RESOLVED:**  
The report be noted and the chair welcomed Jane McNeill to the meeting.
6. **TRAINING SESSION ON THE LOCAL FILTER AND ASSESSMENT OF COMPLAINTS (Item 6)**
  - (i) Members undertook the Standards Board local assessment exercise for cases A and C and the review exercise for case L.
  - (2) Any covering reports by officers on complaints would give a summary of events and highlighting any possible breaches of the Code for Members to consider.
  - (3) The Committee would give its reasons for its decisions in broad terms and the Monitoring Officer would then draw up the decision letter.
7. **FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE**
  - (1) Future meetings of the Committee would be held on 17th June and 13th October 2008 and 20th January and 27th April 2009.
  - (2) Diana Gibbs and Godfrey Standlen would report back to the next meeting of the Committee on their experiences of shadowing the Leader of the Council and Leader of the Opposition.

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### 8. ANY URGENT BUSINESS

None.

The meeting ended at 8.00pm.

### CHAIR

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