

**Meeting of:**  
Standards Committee

**Time / Date**  
9<sup>th</sup> December 2008  
6.30pm

**Venue**  
Hardman Mill  
New Hall Hey  
Rawtenstall

This meeting is being supported by Heather Moore, Committee and Member Services Manager, (01706) 252423 or email [heathermoore@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:heathermoore@rossendalebc.gov.uk)

### Agenda

ITEM	Contact Officer
<b>A. BUSINESS MATTERS</b>	
<b>A1.</b> Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes	
<b>A2. Urgent Items</b> To note any items which the Chairman has agreed to add to the Agenda on the grounds of urgency.	
<b>A3. Declarations of Interest</b>  <i>Members are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to seek advice on interest issues if necessary.</i>  Members are requested to indicate at this stage, any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Code of Conduct, they must declare the nature of any personal interest and, if the interest is prejudicial, withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the item.	Linda Fisher, Executive Director - Business (Monitoring Officer) Tel: 01706 252447 Email: <a href="mailto:lindafisher@rossendalebc.gov.uk">lindafisher@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>A4.</b> To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2008	
<b>A5.</b> Chairman's Update	



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<b>B. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</b>	Heather Moore, Committee and Member Services Manager Tel: 01706 252423 Email: <a href="mailto:heathermoore@rossendalebc.gov.uk">heathermoore@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>B1. Public Question Time</b>	
<b>C. ORDINARY ITEMS OF BUSINESS</b>	Linda Fisher, Executive Director Business Tel: 01706 252447 Email: <a href="mailto:lindafisher@rossendalebc.gov.uk">lindafisher@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>C1. Standards Board Conference</b> Report of the Chairman attached.	
<b>C2. North West Independent Members Forum</b> Verbal update from the Vice-Chairman.	
<b>C3. Codes of Conduct for Local Authority Members and Employees</b> Consultation paper attached which invites views on proposals for revising the model code of conduct for local authority members.	
<b>C4. Review of Assessment Criteria</b> Discussion on how the new process is working. Verbal Report.	
<b>C5. Observing Standards Committees</b> Discussion on the benefits of visiting other Authorities to observe Standards Committees in action and to consider if the Committee would like to visit any particular Authorities.	
<b>C6. Annual Review of the Constitution</b> An information report which was considered by the Full Council on 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2008.	
<b>C7. Probity in Planning</b> To consider the report of the Audit Commission.	
<b>C8. Use of Resources Action Plan</b> To consider the report of the Audit Commission.	
<b>C9. Standards Bulletin (to follow)</b>	
<b>C10. Whistle Blowing</b> Verbal update by the Executive Director - Business	



**Carolyn Wilkins**  
Chief Executive

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## Transport Arrangements

Rossendale Council and Rossendale Transport have teamed up to provide an extension to the County Rider Bus Service. The new shuttle will take people from Rawtenstall Town Centre to Council meetings held at the new Hardman's Mill Council Chamber at New Hall Hey.

The service will pick people up from Rawtenstall Bus Station (STAND E) and take them to the Council Chamber at Hardman's Mill. It will operate as and when required for up to 30 minutes before each meeting begins. The longest anyone will have to wait for the bus is the time it takes for the bus to make a return trip – less than 8 minutes.

Anyone can use this service with a small charge of £1.00 per person. NoW Card holders will get their usual concession.

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