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Conference

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**Report of:** Director of Business

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**Portfolio**

**Holder:** Finance and Resources

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**Key Decision:** No

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**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To inform members of the date of the next Standards Assembly Annual Conference and to agree which Members of the Standards Committee and Officers should attend.

**2. CORPORATE PRIORITIES**

2.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:-

- Delivering quality Services to our customers
- Promoting the Borough
- Providing value for money services

**3. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 There are no specific risk issues for members to consider arising from this report.

**4. BACKGROUND AND OPTIONS**

4.1 The 2010 Annual Assembly of Standards Committees will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at the International Convention Centre in Birmingham.

4.2 In 2009 it was agreed that the Assembly be attended by the Chair of the Standards Committee, the Vice Chair and the Monitoring Officer. In addition, the Council's Communications Manager attended the conference as a speaker.

4.3 The cost of attendance is £430 (plus VAT) for full attendance or a one-day place costs £230 (plus VAT).

## COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:

### 5. SECTION 151 OFFICER

5.1 Any financial implications will be met from existing budget resources.

### 6. MONITORING OFFICER

6.1 No additional comments.

### 7. HEAD OF PEOPLE AND POLICY (ON BEHALF OF THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE)

7.1 No Human Resource implications.

### 8. CONCLUSION

8.1 Attendance at this event is important, as it continues to raise Rossendale Borough Council's profile as a Council that is committed to promoting and maintaining high ethical standards with respect to its Elected Members.

### 9. RECOMMENDATION(S)

9.1 Members are asked to consider and agree the appropriate attendees for the 2010 Assembly.

### 10. CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

10.1 Mr A Neville, Chair of the Standards Committee for the municipal year 2009/10 and the Director of Business (Monitoring Officer).

### 11. COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Is a Community Impact Assessment required No

### 12. BIODIVERSITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Is a Biodiversity Impact Assessment required No

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