At a meeting of the STANDARDS COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on FRIDAY, $12^{\rm TH}$ APRIL, 2013 at 10.00 am.

Present:-

Councillor H. Trueman in the Chair

Councillors Forbes, MacKnight, Marshall, Mordey, Price. D. Richardson and Shattock, together with Councillor A. R. Wilkinson (Hetton Town Council).

Also Present:-

Mrs S. Joseph (Independent Person).

Welcome and Introductions

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting, inviting introductions around the room.

Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor G. W. K. Hepple (Hetton Town Council) and Mr. A. Atkinson (Independent Person).

Declarations of Interest

The Head of Law and Governance provided advice to the Members as to the circumstances when it would be appropriate and necessary to declare an interest.

There were no declarations of interest made.

The Head of Law and Governance advised that Eversheds LLP had been asked to present the case in order to demonstrate that consideration had been given to ensuring that the Committee was provided with independent advice.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

At the instance of the Chairman it was: -

1. RESOLVED that in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 the public be excluded during consideration of

the remaining business as it contains information relating to an individual under paragraph 1 of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part 1.

(Signed) H. TRUEMAN, Chairman.

Note:-

The above minute comprises only that relating to an item during which the meeting was open to the public.

An additional minute in respect of another item is included in Part II.