

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

10 JUNE 2008

APPOINTMENT – PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

RICHARD G LONG,

DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To submit details of a nomination received from Stainton and Thornton Parish Council for appointment to the Standards Committee.

BACKGROUND

2. As a result of changes in the operation of the conduct regime it has been necessary to appoint three new sub-committees in order to deal with the assessment, review and hearing of complaints relating to breaches of the Code of Conduct.
3. Guidance suggests that three parish council representatives should be appointed to standards committees to ensure parish representation is available for each of the sub-committees when they are required to deal with complaints against parish councillors.
4. As Middlesbrough Council is only responsible for two parish councils it was agreed that one representative from each parish council would be sufficient, providing that the same representative does not attend both the initial assessment and the review meetings. Nunthorpe Parish Council's representative, Councillor Ian Bruce currently represents both parishes. Stainton and Thornton Parish Council have now nominated Councillor Robert Macmillan as its representative.

RECOMMENDATION

5. The Councillor Robert Macmillan, be appointed as the Stainton and Thornton Parish Council representative on the Standards Committee.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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