BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK

STANDARDS COMMITTEE - LOCAL ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Local Assessment Sub-Committee held on Thursday 25 March 2010, at 10.25 am in the Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, King's Court, Chapel Street, King's Lynn

PRESENT:

Mr R Steward (Chairman – Independent Member)
Mr J Dawson (Parish Representative) and Councillor J Legg

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Nicola Leader - Monitoring Officer

Wendy Vincent - Democratic Services Officer

1. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED "That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act."

2. <u>Declaration of Interests</u>

There were none.

3. To consider the report of the Monitoring Officer (Allegation 22/10)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Sub-Committee considered the Monitoring Officer's report. The purpose of the Sub-Committee was to consider the complaint against the assessment criteria agreed by the Standards Committee on 23 June 2008 and to reach one of the three following decisions:

- Refer the allegation to the Monitoring Officer which under section 57A(3) of the Local Government Act 2000, as amended, may be another authority – for investigation or some other action such as mediation or training.
- Refer the allegation to the Standards Board for England.
- Decide that no action should be taken in respect of the allegation.

The Sub-Committee considered the complaint against the criteria agreed by the Standards Committee at their meeting on 23 June 2008.

DECISION

Allegation 1

The Monitoring Officer would inform the complainant that the complaint should be forwarded to the Information Commissioner's Office as it was not covered by the Code of Conduct.

Allegation 2

The Local Assessment Sub-Committee determined that no formal action would be taken but that the Monitoring Officer would write to the Chairman and Clerk reminding them of their roles.

The Meeting closed at 10.38 am