

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF WIRRAL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE - 25 MARCH 2004

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR AND SECRETARY

OUTCOME OF STANDARDS BOARD INVESTIGATION

1. **Executive Summary**

This report notifies the Standards Committee of the outcome of an investigation by the Standards Board in relation to a Wirral member.

2. **Background**

A complaint was made to the Standards Board in December 2002 that a member disclosed confidential information and brought his office or authority into disrepute. The Standards Board completed their investigation on 4 February 2004, the case summary is attached from the Standards Board (Appendix 1) for noting. The case did raise some practical issues which identify that the Authority could improve in its administration and I will discuss this with the committee on the evening.

3. **Financial and Staffing Implications**

None.

4. **Local Member Support**

No implications for specific wards but is a matter of interest to individual members

5. **Other Implications**

There are no implications arising out of this report in terms of equal opportunities, planning, community safety, human rights and Local Agenda 21.

6. **Background Papers**

Standards Board Summary (attached).

7. **Recommendation**

That the summary be noted.

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