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 11 March 2009

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Dear Colleague

North West Independent Members Forum

I am writing to let you know that the next meeting of the North West Independent Members Forum will be held on Tuesday 21st April 2009, here at County Hall, Preston. On this occasion the meeting will commence at 1.00pm with lunch and the meeting proper following at 1.45pm. The meeting will take the following format:

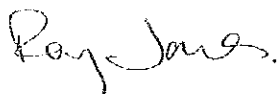
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| • 1.00pm | Lunch |
| • 1.45pm | Start of meeting - welcome |
| • 2.00pm | Guest Speaker – to be confirmed |
| • 2.45pm | Questions and conclusion |
| • 3.00pm | Independent Member Session |
| • 3.45pm | Finish |

Could you please make a note of the time and date in your diary. The confirmed agenda and further information will be sent out nearer the time.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of a questionnaire I am sending to your Authority's Independent Members regarding the future format and venues for the meetings, which will be discussed at the Independent Members only session.

I look forward to seeing you on the day.

Yours sincerely



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 2007-2008
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North West Independent Members Forum

Review of the Format of Meetings

Questionnaire for Independent Members of Standards Committees

Question Number	Question and Response – Please complete
1	Q Do you attend the meetings of the North West Independent Members Forum? R
2	Q If you do not attend the meetings, why not? R
3	Q If you do attend the meetings, what format would you like meetings to take? R
4	Q How frequently would you like the meetings to take place? R
5	Q Are you agreeable to the venue for meetings moving around the area? R

6	<p>Q How would you wish to select the Chair?</p> <p>R</p>
7	<p>Q Should the Chair's term of office be yearly/two yearly?</p> <p>R</p>
8	<p>Q Should the role of Secretary be time limited and linked to the Authority of the Chair?</p> <p>R</p>
9	<p>Q Are there any other issues you wish to raise</p> <p>R</p>

Name:

Position:

Authority:

Date:

Please return this questionnaire in the prepaid envelope provided by no later than Friday 27 March 2009.