

- Promote awareness of Standards Committee to schools and local organisations/groups.
- Do not become at odds with elected members; encourage members to attend meetings to raise issues.
- Engage with Councillors. Always appreciate that we are appointed not elected (Independent).
- Be fair and transparent. Rate you independence! "You are serving for the greater good of the Community".
- Standards Committee is a "friend, not a foe, a guide dog not a watch dog".
- You must be made aware of concerns of people in the street.
- Must keep Independence – Be careful not to be seen to be more friendly with one group than another.
- Passionate about ethics and standards.
- Monitoring Officers needs:- Courage, motivation, trust, relationships, performance, be moral.
- Be aware of the community impact of committee (letters page in local press/statements etc.)
- What is the perception of public?  
Trust and citizens?  
Councillors & Officers?  
Democracy?
- Bullying of Officers will not be acceptable.
- Planning Committee – what are its protocols?  
Can these be explained?  
Training – in view of recent events.

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Social Services Similarly

Setting Standards

Councillors Expenses?

Issues for discussion.