STANDARDS COMMITTEE

7 February 2005

STANDARDS BOARD ROADSHOW 2005

REPORT OF CITY SECRETARY AND SOLICITOR

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RECENT REFERENCES:

None

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At its Annual Assembly in 2004, the Standards Board for England agreed to organise a series of events which would provide opportunities for direct feedback and discussion of the experiences of local authorities in applying the Code of Conduct.

The chosen format is eleven interactive roadshows across the country, with Southampton being the closest on Thursday 3 March 2005 (venue to be announced). There is no charge for attendance and each Authority is invited to send up to three delegates, with a suggestion that one Councillor, one Independent Member and the Monitoring Officer would be appropriate representation.

A programme for the day is attached as Appendix 1.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee appoints three delegates to attend the Standards Board Roadshow in Southampton on Thursday 3 March 2005.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1 <u>CORPORATE STRATEGY (RELEVANCE TO)</u>:
- 1.1 To ensure the Council's work practices are consistent with corporate values.
- 2 **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**:
- 2.1 Minor travel and subsistence costs from existing budgets.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Letter from Standards Board

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 Standards Board Roadshow 2005 - Programme