

**Committee:** FULL COUNCIL

**Date:** 21 JULY 2009

**Title:** TOWN & PARISH REPRESENTATIVE ON  
THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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**Agenda Item**

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decision?

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### Summary

- 1 This report informs Members of the nomination of the Uttlesford Association of Local Councils to the vacant position of Town & Parish representative to the Standards Committee

### Recommendations

That Members appoint the nominee to the Committee

### Background Papers

E-mail received from Cllr Merrion on behalf of the Uttlesford Association of Local Councils

### Impact

Communication/Consultation	None
Community Safety	None
Equalities	None
Finance	None
Human Rights	None
Legal implications	None
Sustainability	None
Ward-specific impacts	None
Workforce/Workplace	None

## Situation

- 2 The Local Government Act 2000 requires local authorities to have a Standards Committee. The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 provide that a Standards Committee must have at least 25% independent persons and in respect of Councils which have parishes at least 2 representatives of Town and Parish Councils who are not also members of the principal council.
- 3 This Council's Committee has 10 members, 4 elected Members of this authority, 3 independent members and 3 representatives of Town and Parish Councils.
- 4 As was reported at Annual Council the resignation of Cllr Philip Leader as a Parish Councillor for Thaxted has created a vacancy for a Town and Parish representative on the Standards Committee. It has been the practice of this Council to request nominees for Town and Parish representatives from the Uttlesford Association of Local Councils. In response to a request for a nominee to fill the current vacancy the Association has requested that Cllr Mel Sullivan of Hatfield Heath Parish Council be appointed.

## Risk Analysis

There are no risks associated with this report

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.