

**WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2009**

**Recommendations from Ethics and Standards Committee**  
**Feedback Format for Members on Outside Bodies**

**Background**

At its meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009 the Ethics and Standards Committee considered the possibility of members being asked to feedback to Council on an annual basis progress on matters, including significant decisions and matters of interest arising at outside bodies.

Members discussed the importance of receiving feedback as a vehicle to demonstrate transparency in local government. During their discussions they also recognised that feedback on their activities was also closely linked with promoting democracy within the community and mirrored the Council's desire to raise the profile of democracy and the democratic process whilst also informing the Council of the work of partner organisations.

**RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:**

**In order to promote transparency, that Members be required to submit annual feedback on their activities as a Council appointed Member on an Outside Body. Feedback should include progress on matters including significant decisions, details of attendance and any allowances received.**