

WYFRA	STANDARDS COMMITTEE	9 NOVEMBER 2006	AGENDA NO
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REPORT OF: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES
(MONITORING OFFICER)

PURPOSE OF REPORT: TO ADVISE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLICATION OF
THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND
ANNUAL REVIEW 2006 / 7

RECOMMENDATION: THAT REPORT BE NOTED.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT DETAILS

EXEMPTION CATEGORY: None

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BACKGROUND PAPERS OPEN TO INSPECTION:

NIL

1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Standards Board for England has published an Annual Review (Annex A) which takes stock of its performance over the previous 12 months and looks forward to the challenges and opportunities of the coming year.

The key themes which the 2006 / 7 Annual Review addresses are the changes to the ethical system - putting responsibility for upholding standards at the heart of every local authority's culture - and how the Standards Board for England have continued to develop its new role as a strategic regulator. It also highlights the Standards Board's achievements during the year.

- 1.2 The Board is also required as part of its statutory responsibilities to publish an Annual Report and Accounts demonstrating the Board's financial accountability and performance. This will be laid before Parliament in the autumn and will be available shortly thereafter. These were not available at the time of despatch of the papers.