

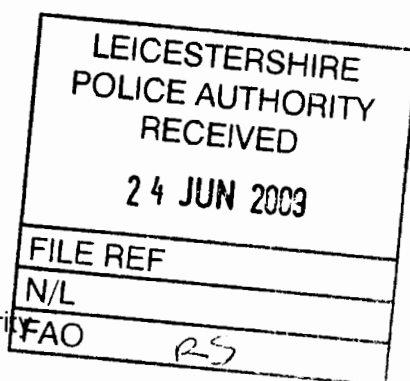
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Dear Mr Swinfield

2009 Annual Assembly of Standards Committees

There are a number of sessions at this year's Annual Assembly which provide opportunities to discuss the criteria for assessment of local complaints.

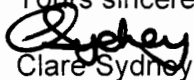
'Local Assessment: Sharing lessons learnt' provides a forum to discuss challenges relating to the local assessment process. It offers an opportunity for delegates to work together to develop solutions to practical issues such as assessment criteria. Two versions of this session will run. One is aimed at officers, the other at standards committee members. In addition, there are a number of open discussion forums running on day two of the Assembly. These are a good opportunity to consult with the Standards Board and an expert panel, to share good practice examples and suggestions. 'Practical advice for single purpose authorities' will also provide your standards committee with a further forum for discussion of this issue.

We are also holding a number of drop-in sessions with Standards Board advisers at various points throughout the event. These are an opportunity to discuss your local standards framework queries in more detail, on a one-to-one basis with an adviser. Booking for these sessions will officially open in August, but we are happy to reserve a session in advance for you.

I will also pass on your suggestion to Anne Rehill, our advice and guidance manager, who may be able to supply additional support and advice in advance of the Annual Assembly.

I hope this information answers your query satisfactorily. If you would like any further information on any of the sessions mentioned, or to reserve a drop-in session with an adviser, please do not hesitate to contact me. My direct number is 0161 817 5332 or you can email me at clare.sydney@standardsboard.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely


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