

STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21**STANDARDS COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE (2021/22)
13 July 2021****CLASSIFICATION:
OPEN****WARD(S) AFFECTED
N/A****Director**
Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director of Legal and Governance Services**1. SUMMARY**

1.1 This report gives an overview of the work and activities of the Standards Committee over 2020/21 and provides information on the monitoring of the Members' Code of Conduct.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Standards Committee is recommended:

To endorse its annual report, attached as appendix 1, prior to submission to Full Council.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Full Council receives an annual report from the Standards Committee. This is to ensure that all Councillors have an overview of the Committee's work in promoting and maintaining high ethical standards for elected and co-opted Members. This is the ninth annual report since the implementation of the Localism Act 2011.

3.2 The Committee monitors and makes recommendations on the Members' Code of Conduct and considers complaints made under the Code. The report in **appendix 1** provides a summary of its activity for 2020/21.

4. COMMENTS OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR, FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

4.1 This report sets out the work and activities of the Standards Committee over the previous municipal year and therefore does not contain any potential financial implications.

5. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE SERVICES

5.1 The Council has a legal duty under the Localism Act 2011, to promote and maintain high standards of conduct of Members and co-opted Members in public office and therefore established a Standards Committee to ensure compliance with this duty.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Standards Committee Annual Report 2020/21

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