

Standards Committee Annual Report 2021 / 2022	
Title of Report	Standards Committee Annual Report 2021 / 2022
For Consideration By	Standards Committee
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<u>Ward(s) Affected</u>	N / A
Director	Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Standards Committee Annual Report 2021 / 2022 provides an overview of the work and activities of the Standards Committee during the last municipal year and provides information on complaints received alleging breaches of the Members' Code of Conduct.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. **That the Annual Report for 2021 / 2022 be endorsed and submitted to Full Council.**

3. Background

- 3.1. Each year Full Council receives a report from the Standards Committee detailing the work of the Committee in the preceding municipal year. 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 and information about any complaints received alleging a breach of the Code of Conduct, including any trends. This is the tenth annual report since the implementation of the Localism Act 2011.

4. **Comments of the Group Director of 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 give rise to any financial implications.

5. **Comments of the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral 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. The Annual Report is one mechanism by which the Council's compliance with this duty can be demonstrated. There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Standards Committee Annual Report 2021 / 2022

Background documents

None

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