

| <b>STANDARDS COMMITTEE</b> |                |                |  |
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| <b>Title</b>               | Work Programme |                |  |
| <b>Key decision</b>        | No             | <b>Item no</b> |  |
| <b>Wards</b>               |                |                |  |
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| <b>Class</b>               | Part 1         | 9 May 2017     |  |

### 1. Summary

This report sets out proposals for scheduled items to be considered at upcoming meetings of the Standards Committee in this municipal year and makes suggestions for inclusion at meetings in the next.

### 2. Recommendation

To agree the proposals for a work programme set out in paragraph 3.3 below

### 3. Background

3.1. Full meetings of the Standards Committee are convened twice yearly usually about October/November and May/June. These meetings consider certain items on a regular basis to promote the highest standards of conduct. These include:-

- Work programme
- Review of compliance with Member Code of Conduct
- Annual Complaints Report
- Review of whistleblowing referrals and policy
- Review of Code of Corporate Governance

3.2. From time to time other matters are considered by full Committee as well as training being provided to the Committee.

3.3. The proposed scheduled work programme for this municipal year are set out below:-

October/November 2017

- Review of whistleblowing referrals and policy
- Annual Complaints Report
- Compliance with Member Code of Conduct
- Work Programme

#### May/June 2017

- Review of Code of Corporate Governance

- 3.4 In addition to these scheduled items the Standards Committee may receive unscheduled items from time to time – for example in relation to dispensations allowing members to vote notwithstanding a disqualifying interest, in circumstances permitted by law. There may also be particular training events which may be dovetailed with scheduled meeting times.
- 3.5 Additionally sub committees may need to meet in response to complaints on which the Monitoring Officer has conducted an investigation.

#### **4. Legal Implications**

There are no specific legal implications associated with this report.