

STANDARDS AND ETHICS COMMITTEE – WORK PLAN – 2020/21

APPENDIX A

TOPIC	OBJECTIVE/OUTCOME	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	PRIORITY	STATUS	REPORT TO COMMITTEE
(1) Gifts and Hospitality <i>Frequency of reporting – annual</i>	(1) To consider the Council's procedures for Officers' gifts and hospitality; and (2) To monitor and review the acceptance of gifts and hospitality by Members.	Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	(1) July 2020 (2) December 2020
(2) Code of Conduct Complaints <i>Frequency of reporting – quarterly</i>	To receive information on complaints made against Members of the Council alleging breaches of the Code of Conduct.	Monitoring Officer	Medium	Ongoing	ON AGENDA
(3) Member Briefings	To publish Member Briefings on the work of the Committee and member conduct issues	Chair / Monitoring Officer	Medium	Annual Report presented to Council in February 2020, with reminders and guidance for Members	July 2020
(4) Training	To consider refresher training on the Members' Code of Conduct	Monitoring Officer	High	Ongoing	As necessary
(5) Feedback from Observation of Council & Committee meetings	Independent Members to attend Council, Committee and Community Council meetings to become more acquainted with the work of the Councils; and report feedback for consideration by the Committee	Independent Members of the Committee	Medium	Ongoing	ON AGENDA

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(6) Whistleblowing Policy	To monitor and review the operation of the Council's whistleblowing arrangements; and consider any ethical issues arising.	Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	ON AGENDA
(7) Officers Personal Interests	To review the Council's rules in relation to senior officers' personal interests	Monitoring Officer / HR	Medium	Scheduled	ON AGENDA
(8) Annual Meeting with Group Leaders and Whips	To facilitate ongoing engagement with representatives from all political groups.	Elected Members	Medium	Scheduled	March 2020
(9) Annual Report 2019/20	Prepare Annual Report 2019/20	Committee Chair/ Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	Autumn 2020
(10) Member Survey	To consider the results of the Members Survey in relation to conduct and ethical issues	Head of Democratic Services / Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	ON AGENDA