

STANDARDS AND ETHICS COMMITTEE – WORK PLAN – 2021/22

APPENDIX A

TOPIC	OBJECTIVE/OUTCOME	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	PRIORITY	STATUS	REPORT TO COMMITTEE
(1) Gifts and Hospitality <i>Frequency of reporting – annual</i>	To monitor and review the acceptance of gifts and hospitality by Members.	Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	December 2021
(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	Scheduled	Early 2022
(4) Training	To consider induction training on the Members' Code of Conduct; and training for group leaders in relation to new duties for Members' conduct	Monitoring Officer	High	Ongoing	Early 2022
(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
(6) Whistleblowing Policy	To monitor and review the operation of the Council's	Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	Autumn 2021

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	whistleblowing arrangements; and consider any ethical issues arising.				
(7) Officers Personal Interests	To receive a report on Senior Officers Personal Interests Declarations (annually)	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; and consider new duties in relation to Members' conduct (coming into effect in May 2022)	Elected Members	Medium	Scheduled	September 2021
(9) Annual Report 2020/21	Prepare Annual Report 2020/21	Committee Chair/ Monitoring Officer	Medium	Scheduled	Autumn 2021
(10) Independent Member Appointments	To recruit 2 new independent members to fill vacancies arising in November 2021 and June 2022	Monitoring Officer / Committee	High	Scheduled	Autumn 2021
(11) Social Media Codes	To consider developing (i) a Members' Code of Principles on Social Media Use; and (ii) a Partner Organisations' Code of Practice on Social Media	Monitoring Officer / Committee	Medium	Scheduled	ON AGENDA