

Terms of Reference: Standards Committee

- i. The Standards Committee's role is:
 - a) Advising the City Council on the adoption or revision of the Code of Conduct;
 - b) Monitoring the operation of the Code of Conduct and the arrangements for how the Council will deal with any complaints;
 - c) Advising, training or arranging to train members and co-opted members on matters relating to the City Council's Code of Conduct.
 - d) Determining complaints brought by members of the public alleging a breach of the Code of Conduct by Councillors.
 - e) Determining the penalty to be imposed in the event of a breach of the Code being upheld.
 - f) Hearing appeals as may be necessary.
 - g) Granting any dispensations and dealing with any other powers granted to Standards Committees by legislation.
 - h) To submit an Annual report on the work of the Standards Committee and, generally, promoting the standards of ethical conduct and behaviour expected of Councillors.
- ii. The Standards Committee shall also determine under Sections 1 and 2 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989: -
 - a) any application received from any officer of the Council for exemption from political restriction; and
 - b) any application to consider whether a post should be included in the list maintained by the Council under Section 2(2) of the 1989 Act, and may direct the Council to include a post in that list.