

STANDARDS COMMITTEE
11TH SEPTEMBER 2015

STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2014/2015

Recommendations / key decisions required:

To consider the report

Reasons:

The subject matter of the report falls within the remit of the Committee

Scrutiny Committee recommendations / comments:

Not applicable

Exec Board Decision Required NO

Council Decision Required NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr E Dole (Leader)

Directorate

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY STANDARDS COMMITTEE 11th SEPTEMBER 2015

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The Standards Committee is required to produce an annual report of its activities for presentation to Full Council, usually in November or December of each year.

Following discussions between officers and the Chair of the Committee, the attached draft report has been prepared for consideration and comment.

The report focuses on the following issues;

- Committee Membership
- Code of Conduct and Dispensation Applications
- Whistle-Blowing Policy
- Complaints and Compliments
- Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – 2014/2015 Annual Report
- Annual Standards Conference
- Adjudication Panel Report 2013/2014
- Code of Conduct compliance by Town and Community Councillors

The section on the Annual Standards Conference has been left intentionally blank. It is suggested that it be completed once members have attended the conference

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Linda Rees Jones

Head of Administration and Law

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Linda Rees Jones

Head of Administration and Law

(Please specify the outcomes of consultations undertaken where they arise against the following headings)

1. Scrutiny Committee

Not applicable

2. Local Member(s)

Not applicable

3. Community / Town Council

Not applicable

4. Relevant Partners

Not applicable

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Not applicable

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Legal file	DPSC-136	Legal Services, County Hall