

Committee: Standards (Advisory) Committee	Date: 18 June 2013	Classification: Unrestricted	Report No.	Agenda Item No.
Report Of: Assistant Chief Executive (Legal Services)		Title: Standards (Advisory) Committee – Work Programme 2013/14		
Originating Officer: Angus Taylor, Principal Committee Officer, Democratic Services		Wards Affected: All		

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report sets out a proposed work programme for the Standards (Advisory) Committee [SAC] in the 2013/14 municipal year.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the SAC:-

- 2.1 Consider the proposed work programme as set out in section 4 of this report and identify any amendments or additions to be made; and
- 2.2 Agree, subject to any amendments or additions agreed at recommendation 2.1 above, the SAC work programme for the municipal year 2013/14, as set out in section 4 of the report.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The SAC replaced the statutory Standards Committee on 1 July 2012, following implementation of the Localism Act 2011. As with the former Standards Committee, a key role of the SAC is to promote high standards of ethical conduct by the Mayor, Members and officers. By putting in place a work programme for each municipal year the SAC will ensure that it is best placed to become an integral part of the work of the Council and can make a positive difference to ethical standards.
- 3.2 Section 4 below sets out a proposed SAC work programme for 2013/14.

4. PROPOSED SAC WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2013/14

4.1

Items to be considered 2013/14	SAC Date
Membership, terms of reference and programme of meetings 2013/14	18 June 2013
Standards (Advisory) Committee Work Programme 2013/14	18 June 2013
Corporate governance review - assessment against CIPFA/ SOLACE framework	18 June 2013
Appointment of Independent Person:- Update	18 June 2013
Code of Conduct for Members – Complain monitoring and proposed revisions to the arrangements for dealing with complaints	18 June 2013
Anti- Fraud Plan and Whistleblowing Strategy	24 October 2013
Complaints & Information Annual Report	24 October 2013
Members' Timesheets and Attendance Monitoring:	24 October 2013
Update on Member Complaints	24 October 2013
Report on Ethical Standards	24 October 2013
Quarter 1 RIPA Enforcement Report	24 October 2013
Complaints and Info 6 months Report	14 January 2014
Quarter 2 RIPA Enforcement Report	14 January 2014
Fraud Hub Report	14 January 2014
Update on Member Complaints	14 January 2014
Quarter 3 RIPA Enforcement Report	18 March 2014
Members' Timesheets and	18 March 2014

Attendance Monitoring:	
Update on Member Complaints	18 March 2014

5. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

5.1 There are no immediate financial implications arising out of this report.

6. CONCURRENT REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (LEGAL)

6.1 This report has been prepared for the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal Services) who is also the Council's Monitoring Officer and incorporates legal comments.

7. ONE TOWER HAMLETS CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 There are no specific One Tower Hamlets considerations, including anti-poverty and equal opportunity implications, arising out of this report.

8. SAGE IMPLICATIONS

8.1 This report has no immediate implications for the Council's policy of strategic action for a greener environment.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 A robust work programme will assist in ensuring that the SAC meets and discharges its functions effectively and efficiently.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no specific crime and disorder reduction implications, arising out of this report.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED) SECTION 100D
LIST OF "BACKGROUND PAPERS" USED IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT**

Brief description of "background paper"

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