



**City of Westminster Standards Committee**

**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> July 2011

**Classification:** For General Release

**Title:** Standards Committee: Work Programme

**Report of:** Head of Legal and Democratic Services

**Wards Involved:** None

**Policy Context:** Management of the Council

**Financial Summary:** There are no financial implications arising from this report

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**1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 This report sets out the work programme for the Committee. The Committee are asked to comment and suggest any additional reports.
- 1.2 The Committee, at its special meeting on 15 February 2010, agreed to receive an updated Work Programme at each meeting. The attached Work Programme has been updated to reflect the items which are still pending from discussions at previous meetings.

**2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 That the current position in respect of the work programme be noted.

### **3. Background**

- 3.1 The Standards Committee has meetings programmed as follows: 8 November and 12 March 2012.
- 3.2 The Committee will be asked at each meeting to monitor its Work Programme and consider any additional items it would like added. The current Work Programme is attached for endorsement.

### **4. Update on the Local Determination of Complaints and Sub-Committee Business**

- 4.1 The Committee has previously asked to receive an update at each meeting on the work of its Sub-Committees.
- 4.2 Since the last meeting in March the Assessment Sub-Committee has considered one complaint against a Member and no action was taken in respect of the complaint.

If you wish to inspect one of the background papers please contact  
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### **Background Documents**

- Report and Minutes of Standards Committee.

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE – WORK PROGRAMME

OUTLINE OF OUTSTANDING REPORT	DATE REPORT DUE	LEAD OFFICER
1. Attendance by Leader of the Council, accompanied by the Chief Executive.	8 November 2011	Head of Members' Services
2. Annual Overview of Ethical Standards and Related Matters Report	19 July 2011 (see agenda)	Head of Legal and Democratic Services with the Strategic Director of Resources and the Strategic Director of Finance and Performance
3. Report setting out possible JDs for Members, including the possibility of recommending to the Standards Committee, that in cases where a Councillor is substantially failing in their duties, that it be recommended that the Basic Allowance be withdrawn.	19 July 2011 (see agenda)	Head of Members' Services in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services
4. Update report on the work of the Standards Sub-Committee	Each Meeting	Head of Legal and Democratic Services
5. Report, as necessary, setting out developments in the area of Standards.	Each Meeting	Head of Legal and Democratic Services