By: Miss R MacCrone – Independent Chairman

Peter Sass - Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership

To: Standards Committee – 28 May 2009

Subject: Standards Committee Work Programme and future meeting dates

Summary: To consider the Committee's forward work programme.

#### Unrestricted

### **Background**

- 1. At the Committee's meeting on 25 November, 2008, it was agreed that the Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership would formulate a work programme for the Committee's consideration and also, in consultation with the Chairman, agree a series of future meeting dates, so that all Members can ensure they are available to attend Committee meetings.
- 2. Accordingly, attached at **Appendix 1** is a suggested work programme based on relevant aspects of the Committee's work in previous years, together with the conclusions reached at a previous meeting about the Committee's future role.

## **Recommendation:**

3. The Committee is invited to consider and agree the Committee's future work programme and proposed meeting dates (Appendix 1)

Miss R MacCrone – Independent Chairman of the Standards Committee Peter Sass – Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership May 2009

# Appendix 1

# Standards Committee Work Programme - 2009

Meeting	Item	Source (*Standard item unless stated)
28 May 2009	Members' Annual Reports (Report from the Independent Remuneration Panel)	Standard item
	The Committee's Annual report	Standard yearly item
	Proposals for Ethical Standards training	Agreed at previous meeting
	Standards Board for England – Annual Return	Standard yearly item
	Work Programme and future meeting dates	Standard item
20 July 2009	Review of Ethical Standards Training for Members	Agreed at November 2008 meeting
	Review of Register of Interests, Gifts and Hospitality	Agreed at November 2008 meeting to be an annual report
	To meet with the political group leaders to discuss the role of the Committee in raising ethical standards	Best practice
	Monitoring of complaints	Standard item
	Work Programme and future meeting dates	Standard item
20 November 2009	Monitoring of complaints	Standard item
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