

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

18 May 2009

Work Programme 2009

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

0.1 To consider the Committee's future Work Programme.

2.0 BACKGROUND

1.1 At each of its meetings, the Standards Committee reviews its forward programme of work. The current Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1.

1.2 The Work Programme incorporates action points from the Authority's Ethical Audit Action Plan.

3.0 WORK PROGRAMME

2.1 The entries for this meeting of the Committee have been amended by deferring the item re Complaints, Compliments and Ethical Indicators until the Committee's September meeting, in order to assist officers in compiling the statistical information and to allow all the information to be presented to the Committee.

2.2 The item for this meeting regarding 'Local Ethical Framework Developments' has been incorporated within the standing 'Complaints and Findings' report, as the new Codes of Conduct for Members and Officers have not yet been published.

2.3 Last autumn the Committee considered whether to add to its Work Programme the issue of looking into, from an ethical perspective, the Council's procedures regarding surveillance over employees under the relevant legislation and the way in which any information gained is held and requested that a report be brought back to the Committee. This is the subject of another report to the Committee's meeting.

2.4 Members are requested to consider the Work Programme and whether they would wish to make any changes or include any other items.

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 That Members consider this report and review the Standards Committee's Work Programme.

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Background Papers:

None

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5 May 2009