NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

15 March 2024

Annual Report of Standards and Governance Committee

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To present Members with a draft Annual Report of the work of the Standards and Governance Committee for the municipal year commencing 1 April 2023.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The predecessor NYCC Standards Committee previously agreed that it would be helpful to publish an Annual Report on its work to full Council in order to raise the profile of the Committee and strengthen awareness of its work and ethical standards generally. An Annual Report also assists in discharging the Council's statutory duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct and also ensures that the Council has an overview of work undertaken by the Committee in discharging the Council's standards responsibilities.
- 2.2 The Committee previously resolved that each Annual Report should be 'light touch' and as brief as possible.

3.0 DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT

- 3.1 A draft Annual Report of the NYC Standards and Governance Committee, for the first municipal year commencing 1 April 2023, referencing its expanded role, is attached for Members' consideration and approval at **Appendix 1**. The Report, if approved by the Committee, will be presented to a future meeting of the Council.
- 3.2 Members' views are welcomed.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no significant legal implications arising from this report.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL/CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no significant environmental/climate change implications arising from this report.

7.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no significant equalities implications arising from this report.

8.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That, subject to any comments Members may have, the Committee approves the draft Annual Report for presentation to a future meeting of full Council.

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Background Papers:

- The Localism Act 2011
- Minutes of NYC Standards and Governance Committee meetings

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