

MEMBER CONDUCT COMMITTEE – 21ST SEPTEMBER 2020

Report of the Monitoring Officer

ITEM 7 WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of Report

To enable the Committee to consider, and agree any changes to, its work programme to assist it to plan its future business.

Recommendation

That the Committee considers any items that it wishes to add to, or amend in, its work programme for future meetings.

Reason

To enable the Committee to identify future items of business and enable planning for future meetings to be undertaken, for example preparing reports and arranging for the attendance of officers and/or others at meetings.

Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

At its meeting on 24th March 2014, the Committee resolved to introduce a work programme to manage the business to be conducted at its future meetings (minute 12 refers). The Committee has considered business at its subsequent meetings based on that programme.

Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions

It is recommended that the Committee reviews its work programme at every meeting. Future meetings of the Committee for 2020-21 have been agreed by full Council as follows:

30th November 2020
22nd March 2021

Meetings scheduled for 16th March 2020 and 15th June 2020 were cancelled due to other commitments during the COVID-19 crisis.

Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

Financial Implications

None

Risk Management

No risks have been identified with this decision.

Background Papers: None

Appendix: Work Programme

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APPENDIX

Member Conduct Committee – Work Programme

ITEM	NOTES	DATE
Update on Complaints Received	An update on complaints received about breaches of the Code of Conduct and any issues arising from those complaints.	Standing item
Register of Members' Interests	Update regarding recent reminders and responses for register of members interests and to include more detailed information regarding Parish and Town Councillor responses.	Sept 2020 <i>(last considered 18th March 2019)</i>
Review of the Constitution	Consider details of possible amendments to the Constitution it may wish to recommend as part of the annual review process.	November 2020 <i>(last considered 2nd December 2019)</i>
Regular review of Members Code of Conduct and Planning Code	At its meeting on 7th December 2015 the Committee requested that the Chair and Vice-chair of the Plans Committee and the Head of Planning and Regeneration, are invited to attend the Member Conduct Committee on a regular basis, to review the relationship between the Planning Code and the Members' Code of Conduct.	November 2020 <i>(last considered 2nd December 2019)</i>
Review of local government ethical standards by the Committee on Standards in Public Life	Consider the recommendations by the Committee on Standards in Public Life's review of local government ethical standards after the Government has provided a response.	To be scheduled <i>(awaiting Government response)</i>
Review of the Constitution alongside CSPL recommendations	Consider details of possible amendments to the Constitution after the recommendations of the Committee on Standards in Public Life have been considered by the Government.	To be scheduled <i>(awaiting Government response)</i>