

**Standards Committee - 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

**Report of the Monitoring Officer**

**Annual Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life 2009/2010**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To consider the annual report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life 2009/2010.

**Background**

2. A copy of the Annual Report is attached at Appendix 1. The Committee on Standards in Public Life is chaired by Sir Christopher Kelly.
3. The remit of the Committee is wide-ranging but broadly it covers standards of conduct of all holders of public office whether elected or appointed.
4. The work of the Committee over the past year has been dominated by the issue of MPs' expenses.
5. Paragraphs 31 – 37 of the report deal with issues relating to local councillor allowances and the Standards Framework.

**Finance**

6. There are no particular financial implications arising from this report.

**Law**

7. Section III of the Local Government Act 1972 enables the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of its statutory functions.

## **Equality Impact**

8. There are no equality impact implications arising from this report.

## **Recommendation**

9. It is recommended that the Committee discuss and note the Annual Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life.



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## **List of Background Papers**

None.