

Article 9 - The Standards Committee

9.1 Standards Committee

The Council will establish a Standards Committee.

9.2 Role and Function

- A.** The Standards Committee will have the following roles and functions in relation to District and Parish Councils and Councillors (s55(1) LGA 2000):
- (a) promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Councillors;
 - (b) advising the Council on the adoption or revision of the Members' Code of Conduct;
 - (c) monitoring the operation of the Members' Code of Conduct and assisting Members and co-opted Members to observe it;
 - (d) advising, training or arranging to train Members and co-opted Members of the authority on matters relating to the authority's code of conduct;
 - (e) granting dispensations to Councillors from requirements relating to interests set out in the Members' Code of Conduct;
 - (f) dealing with any reports referred by the Monitoring Officer to it from a case tribunal or interim case tribunal, and any report from the Monitoring Officer on any matter which is referred by an Ethical Standards Officer to the Monitoring Officer or any other matters referred from the Monitoring Officer;
 - (g) reviewing significant changes to the Constitution, as determined by the Proper Officer;
 - (h) considering and reporting to the Council on breaches of Council Codes and Protocols by Members, as the Committee considers appropriate.
- B.** The Standards Committee will also have the roles and functions set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 2007.

