| Bath & North East Somerset Council | | | |
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| MEETING: | Council | | |
| DATE: | 18 th July | | |
| TITLE: Standards Committee Annual report 2023- 2024 | | | |
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| Appendix 1 Standards Committee Annual report 2022-2023 | | | |

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 To consider the Standards Committee Annual report.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

The Council is asked to;

2.1 Note the work of the Standards Committee as set out in the Annual report (Appendix 1) since the last report was sent to the Standards Committee 17 October 2023.

3 THE REPORT

- 3.1 The Standards Committee is responsible for the promotion of ethical standards within the Authority, helping to secure adherence to the Members' Code of Conduct, monitoring the operation of the Code within Bath & North East Somerset Council, conducting hearings following investigation, and determining complaints made against Councillors in respect of alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct.
- 3.2 The Standards Committee agreed it would provide an annual report to the Council summarising the work of the Committee over the previous year.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 The Standards Committee is not required to produce an annual report; however, it is good practice to do so.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 No direct implications.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 Adherence to robust standards of conduct mitigates potential complaints about standards issues. A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

7. EQUALITIES

6.1 No direct impact.

8 CLIMATE CHANGE

8.1 No direct impact.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 None.

10. CONSULTATION

10.1The Monitoring Officer has been consulted.

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| Background papers | None | |
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