

<b>Bath &amp; North East Somerset Council</b>			
MEETING	<b>Standards' Committee</b>		
		EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:	
MEETING	<b>15<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>		
TITLE:	<b>Annual Report</b>		
WARD:	All		
<b>AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM</b>			
<b>List of attachments to this report:</b> <b>Appendix 1 Standards Committee Annual report 2024-2025</b>			

## 1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 To consider the Standards Committee Annual report

## 2 RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is asked to;

- 2.1 Note the work of the Standards Committee as set out in the Annual report (Appendix 1).

## 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.

## 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.

## **7 EQUALITIES**

7.1 No Direct Impact

## **8 CLIMATE CHANGE**

8.1 No Direct Impact

## **9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

9.1 None

## **10. CONSULTATION**

10.1 The S.151 And Monitoring Officer

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<b>Background papers</b>	None
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