

Report to: Standards Committee



Date of Meeting 22 June 2023

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Standards Update report

Report summary:

It is important that the Monitoring Officer provides a regular report to the Committee on ethical standards and Code of Conduct issues. The Monitoring Officer will provide a verbal update at the meeting in relation to:-

1. Standards issues generally;
2. Declaration of Interests by District, Town and Parish Councillors;
3. Training of District, Town and Parish Councillors in relation to the Code of Conduct;
4. Code of Conduct complaints and future reporting arrangements.

Is the proposed decision in accordance with:

Budget Yes No

Policy Framework Yes No

Recommendation:

That the Committee note the verbal update.

Reason for recommendation:

To ensure that Committee are kept up-to-date regarding ethical standards and code of conduct issues.

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Portfolio(s) (check which apply):

- Climate Action and Emergency Response
- Coast, Country and Environment
- Council and Corporate Co-ordination
- Democracy, Transparency and Communications
- Economy and Assets
- Finance
- Strategic Planning
- Sustainable Homes and Communities
- Tourism, Sports, Leisure and Culture

Equalities impact Low Impact

Climate change Low Impact

Risk: Low Risk; This report ensures that Members are having sufficient oversight in relation to Ethical standards matters.

Links to background information

None

Link to Council Plan

Priorities (check which apply)

- Better homes and communities for all
 - A greener East Devon
 - A resilient economy
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Purpose of Report

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Financial implications:

There are no financial implications to be added to this report.

Legal implications:

It is important that the Committee receives regular updates regarding ethical standards and code of conduct matters, to ensure it is having appropriate oversight of and meeting its Terms of Reference.