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STANDARDS COMMITTEE – WORK PLAN 2019/2020**

Topic Area	Rationale	Responsibility	Anticipated Meeting Date (s) of Standards Committee
Work Plan 2019/2020 for the Standards Committee	To approve the Work Plan 2019/2020 for the Standards Committee	The Standards Committee	June 2019
Register Gifts and Hospitality (Members and Officers)	To receive details regarding the declarations of gifts and hospitality of Members and Officers during 2018/2019	The Standards Committee	September 2019
Code of Conduct and arrangements for investigating alleged breaches	To receive details of complaints received in respect of alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct of Northampton Borough Council and of Parish Councils within the Borough	The Standards Committee	June 2019 September 2019 December 2019 March 2020



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Training Strategy - Ethical and Governance Matter	To review the Standards Committee's Training Strategy for all Members of the Council in relation to ethical and governance matters and specific training for Members of the Standards Committee.	The Standards Committee	December 2019
Communications Strategy	To review the Standards Committee's Communications Strategy that promotes the work of the Standards Committee and the importance of ethical governance.	The Standards Committee	December 2019
Whistleblowing Policy	To review the effectiveness of the Council's Whistleblowing Policy and Procedure and its implementation.	The Standards Committee	December 2019



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CIPFA International Framework: Good Governance in the Public Sector	The Committee to receive briefings on the CIPFA International Framework: Good Governance in the Public Sector in so far as it relates to the work of the Standards Committee.	The Standards Committee	As required
Internal Audit Report: Member-Officer Relationship Review	The Committee to receive a briefing on the Internal Audit Report: Member-Officer Relationship Review	The Standards Committee	March 2020
Annual Report of the Standards Committee	To receive the Annual Report of the Standards Committee 2019/2020 to include update about delivery of the Work Plan and monitoring data	The Standards Committee	March 2020
Work Plan 2020/2021 for the Standards Committee	To approve the Work Plan 2020/2021 for the Standards Committee	The Standards Committee	March 2020

NB: The approval of a Work Plan for the Standards Committee will not affect the responsibility or discretion of the Committee during the year, as the Committee can, at subsequent meetings, agree to update the Work Plan, if it is necessary to do so.