

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Standards Advisory Committee

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PART I

FOR DECISION

STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DRAFT ANNUAL REVIEW 2013/14

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to submit the draft Annual Review May 2013 to March 2014 of work completed and proposed within the purview of the Committee.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is requested to approve the draft Annual Review as attached at Appendix A together with any amendments or additions that Members may wish to make.

3. Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities

The delivery of the Joint Wellbeing Strategy priorities is dependent on good governance arrangements being in place in order that the Council has a transparent and accountable process for effective decision-making. This is underpinned by the Code of Conduct, which forms the bedrock of the conduct regime for Members and aims to ensure that ethical behaviour and governance of the highest order is maintained.

4. Other Implications

(a) Financial

There are no financial implications of this report.

(b) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications

There are no human rights or other legal implications.

5. Supporting Information

5.1 The Council's Constitution requires the Committee to produce an Annual Review of its work. The draft Annual Review attached at Appendix A seeks to summarise

the activity and action over the last year and looks ahead to activities planned in the year ahead and includes:

- Introduction by the Chair
- Roles and functions of the Committee
- Activity and action in 2013/14
- Committee Membership 2013/14
- Complaints activity
- Future training

5.2 The Committee is invited to comment on the draft Annual Review and put forward any changes it wishes to make.

5.3 Once approved, it suggested the Annual Review be made widely available and accessible to the Council's partners, stakeholders and the public at large through publication on the website and intranet and available in local libraries.

6. Appendices Attached

Appendix A - Annual Review May 2013 to March 2014