

Standards Committee Work Programme 2008/9

	Timescale
1 Lessons to be learned from reported complaints/monitoring of compliance with the Code	As and when required
2 New/Revised Protocols	As and when required
3 Annual Monitoring of Training Report	Summer 2009
4 Code of Conduct Seminar for Officers, District and Parish Councillors (Press Release to be issued – Details on website)	Autumn 2008
5 Report on Annual Standards Board Conference (Para for 7 Days)	November 2008
6 Update on visits by individual Members to District and Parish Council Meetings (Press Release to be issued and put on website)	Autumn 2008
7 Update on Whistleblowing Code	Summer 2008
8 Hearings and Investigations	As and when required
9 Consideration of applications for dispensations	As and when required
10 Standards Committee annual meeting inviting Parish Clerks to discuss Code (Press Release to be issued)	Summer/Autumn 2008

11 Standards Committee – Annual Report	Summer 2008
12 Annual Meeting Standards Committee and the Chief Executive and Leaders of 2 Political Groups to discuss importance of ethical governance and Annual Report (Press Release to be issued and Para for 7 Days and on website explaining how much the Chief Executive and Leader support and encourage high ethical standards)	Autumn 2008
13 Consider involvement of the Standards Committee in the Officer Code and Political Restrictions	Autumn 2008
14 Consider use of the ethical governance toolkit	Summer 2008
15 Look at conducting Peoples Panel research in relation to opinions of conduct in West Lancashire	Summer 2008
16 Look at the potential involvement of the Standards Committee in complaints handling and review of Ombudsman decisions	Autumn 2008
17 Local Filter - implementation	Summer 2008