

Standards Committee Work Programme 2009/10 – 7 April 2009

	Timescale	Progress
1 Lessons to be learned from reported complaints/monitoring of compliance with the Code	As and when required	On going
2 New/Revised Protocols	As and when required	On going
3 Annual Monitoring of Training Report	Summer 2009	On target
4 Code of Conduct Seminar for Officers, District and Parish Councillors (Press Release to be issued – Details on website)	Autumn 2008	On target - Seminar held on 20 November 2008 at Edge Hill Press release done
5 Report on Annual Standards Board Conference (Para for 7 Days)	December 2008	Circulated via e-mail/letter
6 Update on visits by individual Members to District and Parish Council Meetings (Press Release to be issued and put on website)	Autumn 2008	On target – Reported to Standards Committee 10 December 2008
7 Update on Whistleblowing Code	Summer 2009	
8 Hearings and Investigations	As and when required	On going
9 Consideration of applications for dispensations	As and when required	On going
10 Monitoring Officer meeting with Parish Clerks to discuss Standards regime	Summer 2008	Target met – Meeting held June 2008. Reported to the meeting of the Standards Committee in July 2008

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11 Standards Committee annual meeting inviting Parish Clerks and Parish Chairman to discuss Code (Press Release to be issued)	Summer 2009	
12 Standards Committee – Annual Report	Summer 2009	
13 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 2009	
14 Consider involvement of the Standards Committee in the Officer Code and Political Restrictions	Autumn 2008	On target – Consultation Document – Reported to Committee in December 2008 meeting
15 Consider use of the ethical governance toolkit	Summer 2009	
16 Look at conducting Peoples Panel research in relation to opinions of conduct in West Lancashire	Summer 2009	
17 Look at the potential involvement of the Standards Committee in complaints handling and review of Ombudsman decisions	Autumn 2009	
18 Local Filter - implementation	Summer 2008	On target

