## <u>Agenda Item 8</u>

## Standards Committee Work Programme 2011/12 – December 2011

		Timescale	Comments
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 2012	On target
4.	Individual Training Needs Survey, Individual Training Plans and Training Records for Independent and Parish Council Members	On hold	
5	Code of Conduct Seminar for Officers, Borough and Parish Councillors (Press Release to be issued – Details on website)	On hold	
6	Report on Annual Standards for England Conference (Para for 7 Days)	Conference on hold	
7	Visits by individual Members to Borough and Parish Council Meetings (Press Release to be issued and put on website)	Suspended	
8	Update on Whistleblowing Code	Completed	
9	Hearings and Investigations	As and when required	On going
10	Consideration of applications for dispensations	As and when required	On going

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11	Monitoring Officer meeting with Parish Clerks to discuss Standards regime	On hold	
12	Standards Committee annual meeting inviting Parish Clerks and Parish Chairman to discuss Code (Press Release to be issued)	On hold	
13	Standards for England – Annual Return	On hold	
14	Standards Committee – Annual Report	On hold	
15	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)	On hold	
16	Look at conducting research in relation to opinions of conduct in West Lancashire	On hold	
17	Look at the potential involvement of the Standards Committee in complaints handling and review of Ombudsman decisions	On hold	
18	Local Filter - implementation	Continuing	Ongoing

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19	Involvement of the Standards Committee in officer code and political restrictions	On hold	
20	Future of Standards Regime	Continuing	A report on the Localism Act 2011 and the implications for the Standards Committee – December 2011