

STANDARDS ASSESSMENT/REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEES

The Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee is responsible for assessing complaints that a member of the Council may have breached the Member Code of Conduct and deciding whether that complaint merits any action or further investigation.

The Standards (Review) Sub-Committee is responsible for carrying out a review of a decision by the Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee to take no further action on a complaint that a member may have breached the Code, where such a review is requested.

Such meetings may have to consider unfounded and potentially damaging complaints about members which it would not be appropriate to make public. As such, the Sub-Committees are not subject to the usual rules for local authority meetings such as:

- Rules regarding the notice of meetings
- Rules on the circulation of agenda and documents
- Rules concerning public access to meetings.

The reports for this meeting are not available for public inspection.

Following the meeting, however, the Council is required to provide a written summary of the proceedings and this will be made available on the Committee Management Information System [see 'Minutes']. The summary will not be made available until it has been sent to the subject member. Where this would prejudice any investigation, there may therefore be a delay in making the public summary available.

The Council would like to apologise to you for any inconvenience that the unavailability of this information may cause you.