

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Standards Committee

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PART I FOR INFORMATION

WORK PROGRAMME 2009/2010

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To submit for information the Committee's work programme for 2009/2010

2. Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action

2.1 The Committee is asked to note/comment on the attached revised work programme (**Appendix A**) and identify any other matters they would like the Committee to consider during the forthcoming municipal year.

3. Community Strategy priorities

3.1 By adopting the action now proposed the Council will help ensure that governance of the highest order is maintained which will contribute to achieving the Council's community strategy priorities.

4. Other Implications

(a) **Financial** – None

(b) **Risk Management** – There are no specific risks arising from this report .

(c) **Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications** - None

(d) **Workforce** -There may be some staffing implications in terms of increased work load for certain members of staff.

5. Supporting Information

5.1 Attached (**Appendix A**) is the revised work programme for the Committee for 2009/2010.

5.2 The training on revisions to the Local Code of Conduct and Members' obligations and responsibilities as representatives of the Council on outside bodies, originally scheduled to be held before the end of November 2009, has not yet been arranged as we are still awaiting publication of new regulations by the Government.

5.3 Consideration at this meeting of the new National Code of Conduct for Employees has also been deferred as we are still awaiting its publication by the Government.

5.2 In addition to the tasks outlined in the programme, the Committee, through its Assessment, Review and Local Determination Sub-Committees, may also be required to consider any complaints regarding Members' alleged breaches of the Members' Code of Conduct.

6. Background Papers

None