

## **THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 – THE NEW STANDARDS REGIME**

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### **What is the Committee being asked to do?**

To note the verbal report to be given by the District Solicitor in respect of the model arrangements for dealing with standards issues under the Localism Act 2011.

### **Corporate Implications**

This report further outlines the new Standards Regime coming into force under the Localism Act 2012 Sections 26-37 and Schedule 4.

### **Sustainable Community Strategy/Council Priorities - Implications**

A robust and effective standards regime to ensure high standards of conduct amongst elected Members both at District and Parish Council level, is essential to ensure probity in all decision making of the authorities of the District. Such probity underlies all the work of the Council and Parishes in attaining the 5 common themes of both the Sustainable Community Strategy of:

- Thriving economy
- Sustainable environment
- Safe communities
- Health and wellbeing
- Cohesive and strong communities

