# REPORT FOR INFORMATION



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# **Member Complaint Statistics**

# **PURPOSE**

1. To update the Audit and Standards Committee on complaints about Members pursuant to the Code of Conduct for Members.

#### **SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS**

- 2. The Committee has oversight of the Council's complaint-handling arrangements.
- The Monitoring Officer has received two complaints against Members since the last meeting. The initial assessment of these complaints by the Independent Person has not yet been completed.
- 4. The initial vetting of complaints by Group Leaders has led to an increase in the number of complaints being resolved informally at an early stage, and consequently a reduction in the number of formal complaints being received by the Monitoring Officer. This has reduced the amount of Officer time spent on complaint investigation and resolution.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

5. Within the approved budget.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

6. None.

# **DETAILS OF CONSULTATION**

7. Not applicable.

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

8. None

**FURTHER INFORMATION** 

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