



AGENDA ITEM : 5

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

27th May 2008

LOCAL ASSESSMENT OF COMPLAINTS - GUIDANCE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To give the Committee information regarding the Local Assessment of Complaints and the Code of Conduct.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. The Committee will be aware from previous reports that as from the 8th May the Council is now responsible for dealing with most complaints against Councillors. Attached to this report as Appendix 1 is a set of papers prepared by barristers from 39 Essex Street giving details of the Code of Conduct and investigations. Also attached is a copy of the Standards Board Guidance "Local Assessment of Complaints".

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Committee note the Guidance.

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