

AGENDA ITEM: 7

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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PROBITY IN PLANNING – LGA GUIDANCE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To provide details of revised guidance for the planning process.

BACKGROUND

2. Attached as an appendix to this report is a revised guidance note relating to probity in planning issued by the Local Government Association (LGA). The guidance updates previous guidance issued in 1997 to take account of the requirements arising from the Local Government Act 2000, the adoption of a national code of conduct in 2007. The guidance is intended to facilitate the development of councillors' community engagement roles and also promotes good planning practice felt to be useful for both councillors and officers dealing with planning matters.

RECOMMENDATION

3. Members are asked to note the information provided.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No additional background papers.

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