

## **ARTICLE 9 - THE AUDIT, STANDARDS AND RISK COMMITTEE**

### **9.1 Appointment**

The Council will appoint an Audit, Standards and Risk Committee at its Annual Meeting.

### **9.2 Membership**

The Audit Standards and Risk Committee will be composed of seven Members of the Council , including substitutes members appointed in accordance with the Substitution Procedure Rules at Part 4 of this Constitution, in accordance with the rules of political proportionality

### **9.3 Role and Function**

The main functions of the Audit Standards and Risk Committee are

- (a) To promote and maintain high standards of conduct within the Council and to monitor the operation of the Code of Conduct.
- (b) To hear and determine complaints of alleged breaches of the Codes of Conduct by borough or parish councillors referred to it by the Monitoring Officer.
- (c) To undertake the Council's audit and corporate governance functions.
- (d) To grant any dispensations in accordance with its Terms of Reference at Part 3 of this Constitution.

The statutory roles and functions of the Audit, Standards and Risk Committee are set out in full in the Terms of Reference of the Committee at Part 3 of this Constitution.