

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.