

Joint Standards Committee

31 March 2021

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Draft Annual report for 2020/2021

Summary

This report provides the Joint Standards Committee with an update on the draft Annual Report for 2020/2021.

Background

It is good practice for the Monitoring Officer to prepare an Annual Report at the start of each municipal year, setting out work undertaken by the Joint Standards Committee during the previous year.

The Monitoring Officer is currently preparing a draft report which is attached to this report at Annex A. It is hoped that a final draft can be prepared and circulated to Members in readiness for the next meeting of the Joint Standards Committee.

The Annual Report will provide include a breakdown of complaints received during the municipal year, as well as work undertaken by the Committee throughout the year.

Implications

Financial

Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

The Equality Act 2010 places specific duties on Local Authorities, and Members, including Members of the Joint Standards Committee who play a vital role in ensuring that equality issues are integral to the aims

and performance of a Local Authority. Providing an Annual Report of work undertaken by the Committee, providing an overview of the Code of Conduct complaints received and reviewing the procedures in place for such complaints ensures that all Members adhere to the principles of the Act.

Legal

As detailed within the report.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

Members are recommended to note the report and provide their views on the draft Report, ahead of it being presented to Full Council later in the year.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s):

None

Wards Affected:

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

- Annex A – Draft Annual Report 2020/2021