

Joint Standards Committee

18 March 2025

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Annual Report for 2024/2025

Summary

1. This report provides the Joint Standards Committee with a draft Annual Report for 2024/2025.

Background

- 2. It is good practice for the Committee 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.
- 3. The report can be presented to Full Council at the meeting on 17th July 2025 subject to finalisation. This will allow it to be presented alongside the Annual Report from Audit & Governance Committee.
- 4. The breakdown of complaints received during the municipal year has been calculated to date. A full year comparison is not yet available due the timing of the report, but the figures are sufficient to demonstrate trends and will be a like for like comparison to last year's report which was also prepared in March. Complaints will continue to be recorded.
- 5. A draft of the annual report is attached at Annex A.

Implications

Financial

6. Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

7. Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

8. 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

9. As detailed within the report.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

10. Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

11. 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):

Wards Affected: All X

For further information please contact the author of the report.

Annexes

Annex A – Draft Annual Report 2024/25

Background Papers:

City of York Council Constitution