

## The Standards Committee

The functions of the Standards Committee are:

Delegated authority	Conditions
<p>To perform all functions given to Standards Committees by the Local Government Act 2000 as amended by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and any regulations made under those Acts, including:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by the Members and co-opted Members of the Council</li> <li>b assisting Members and co-opted Members of the Council to observe the code of conduct adopted by the Council under section 51 of the Act</li> <li>c advising the Council on the adoption or revision of a code of conduct</li> <li>d monitoring the operation of the Council's Code of Conduct</li> <li>e advising, training or arranging to train Members and co-opted Members of the Council on matters relating to the Council's Code of Conduct.</li> <li>f functions given by any regulations made under Section 66 of the Act (functions in connection with investigations carried out by the Monitoring Officer) and</li> <li>g the equivalent functions of those referred to above in respect of Local Councils and Local Councillors</li> <li>h the assessment of complaints in relation to Councillors and Local Councillors, and conducting appeals against those assessments</li> <li>i consideration of reports from the Standards Board or the Council's Monitoring Officer in relation to complaints about the conduct of Members and the holding of local hearings</li> <li>j Consideration of requests from Members for dispensations regarding the declaration of interests.</li> </ul>	

- k consideration of requests from Local Councils and/or Local Councillors for dispensation regarding declarations of interests.
- l the granting of exemptions from politically restricted posts in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 as amended by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

To provide advice to the Council on issues relating to Member/Officer relations.

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<p>To provide advice to the Council on any employee Code of Conduct, including any statutory code issued under Section 82 of the Act.</p>	
<p>To ensure that a local investigation into the alleged misconduct of Members is undertaken when such matters are referred to the Standards Committee by the Standards Board for England or referred to the Monitoring Officer for investigation.</p>	<p>In accordance with the Standards Board for England procedures and any procedure agreed by the Standards Committee.</p>
<p>To provide advice to the Council and Local Councils in respect of any issues relating to Member conduct under the current legislation, regulations and the National Code of Conduct for Members .</p>	
<p>To provide advice to the Council and Local Councils of any issues arising out of Member misconduct and report on action which has or ought to be taken by the Council and/or Local Councils.</p>	
<p>To establish Panels consisting of at least 3 members of the Standards Committee to conduct an assessment of a complaint or an appeal against an assessment and a local hearing following receipt of a report from the Monitoring Officer or an Ethical Standards Officer.</p>	<p>Any such Panel shall consist of at least one member of the Council if the City of York, one Independent Member and, if the matter relates to a Parish Councillor, one Parish Representative. The Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Chair of the Standards Committee shall have authority to convene a Panel.</p>