

# **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

## **STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND – ANNUAL RETURN 18th June 2009**

### **Report of the Monitoring Officer**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To inform the Committee of the annual return required by the Standards Board.

**This report is public**

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

(1) **That the report be noted**

**1.0 Report**

1.1 Since the implementation of the new regime for the consideration of Code of Conduct complaints locally, the Monitoring Officer has been required to complete a quarterly statistical return to the Standards Board with regard to the complaints received and their outcome. In addition, the Standards Board has now introduced a requirement for an annual return to be completed, providing further information about the work of the Standards Committee during the preceding year. The first such return was issued on the 20th April 2009, and was required to be completed online by the 15th May 2009.

1.2 A copy of the completed return is appended to this report for Members' information. The Chairman was consulted in the preparation of the document.

1.3 The Standards Board recommends that a copy be placed on the Council's website, and it is intended that this will be done following this meeting.

1.4 The report is for noting.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)**

None arising from this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None directly arising from this report.

**SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None directly arising from this report.

**MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The report has been prepared by the Monitoring Officer in her capacity as adviser to the Standards Committee.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None

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