

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

CODE OF CONDUCT - TRAINING 21st June 2007

Report of the Monitoring Officer

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise the Committee of the Member training that has been held in respect of the Code of Conduct, and to consider plans for training parish council members

This report is public

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) **That the report be noted, and the Committee's views sought on future training, in particular for parish councillors**

1.0 Introduction

1.1 At the end of May and beginning of June, three training sessions were held for Members of the City Council on the revised Code of Conduct. This followed the adoption of the revised Code at Annual Council on the 21st May 2007. In total, 51 members attended the three sessions. Because of the importance of members receiving training on the Code of Conduct, a further session will be arranged to ensure that all Members receive the training.

1.2 The Monitoring Officer is hoping to attend the meeting of LAPTIC (Lancashire Association of Parish and Town Councils) on the 23rd July 2007 to provide some preliminary training on the Code of Conduct to the parish councils, and also to seek the views of LAPTIC as to the training needs of the parish councils and how these can best be met.

2.0 Proposal Details

2.1 The Committee is asked to note the report.

2.2 The Committee's views are also sought as to whether there are any further training needs for Members of the City Council with regard to the Code of Conduct, and also as to what training might be appropriate for the parish councils.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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

None

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/SECTION 151 OFFICER COMMENTS

Unless the Committee felt that external training was appropriate, there would be no financial implications.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/MONITORING OFFICER COMMENTS

Legal Services have been consulted and have no comments.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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