

# STANDARDS COMMITTEE 4 APRIL 2017

Report of the Monitoring Officer

# **Ethical Governance Update**

#### SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Council has been through a process to refresh the membership of the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP). Appointments were made to the IRP at a meeting of the Audit and Account Committee on 22 March 2017. The report considered by the Committee is attached at Appendix 2 of the report.
- 1.2 Training for Audit and Accounts Committee Members took place on 23 January 2017. Members of the Standards Committee are asked to decide whether or not this should become annual mandatory training for Members of the Audit and Accounts Committee.
- 1.3 Two new mandatory courses have recently been added to the DCC e-learning portal. Members of the Standards Committee will be informed of the numbers of Elected Members who have completed these. The two courses are Corporate Governance – An Overview and An Overview of the Data Protection Act 1998.
- 1.4 A by-election was held in Derwent Ward on March 2017 and the seat was won by Stephen Willoughby. Councillor Willoughby will be undertaking Member training on 4 April 2017

## RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel.
- 2.2 To decide whether or not the training for Audit and Accounts Committee Members should become mandatory annual training.
- 2.3 To receive an update on Elected Member completion of mandatory courses on the DCC e-learning portal.
- 2.4 To note the election and training of Councillor Stephen Willoughby, Derwent Ward.

#### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Standards Committee is responsible for upholding ethical governance for the Elected Members of Derby City Council.

# SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 As set out in Appendix 2.

# OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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Financial officer	
Human Resources officer	
Estates/Property officer	
Service Director(s)	
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Background papers:	Members Code of Conduct
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – Appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel

## Appendix 1

# IMPLICATIONS

#### **Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 None arising from this report

#### Legal

2.1 None arising from this report

#### Personnel

3.1 None arising from this report

## IT

4.1 None arising from this report

#### **Equalities Impact**

5.1 Non arising from this report

#### Health and Safety

6.1 None arising from this report

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None arising from this report

#### Property and Asset Management

8.1 None arising from this report

#### **Risk Management and Safeguarding**

9.1 None arising from this report

#### **Classification: OFFICIAL**

# Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 The Council is taking all steps to strengthen governance.