

General Purposes Committee

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Title: Changes to Terms of Reference: Standards Committee

Report of: Head of Committee and Governance Services

Financial Summary: There are no financial implication

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report asks the Committee to consider recommending the Council to make a minor change to the terms of reference of the Standards Committee as set out in the report.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Council be recommended to approve the following additional term of reference to the Standards Committee:
- “To monitor the Member Development Programme and make recommendations thereon to the relevant Cabinet Member”

3. Background Information

- 3.1 Following the Induction Programme which will commence immediately after the local elections in May 2018 it is intended to continue with a Member Development Programme and include provision for 9 such sessions during each year. The Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Customer Services is shortly due to consider a report setting out the details of the programme.
- 3.2 The responsibility for this executive function sits with the Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Corporate Services. It is appropriate for the Standards Committee to monitor and gives its views on the content of the programme and comment generally thereon on its success or otherwise.
- 3.3 Accordingly, the Committee is asked to support the minor recommended change to the Standards Committee's terms of reference.

4. Other Implications: None.

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