

Meeting: Standards Committee

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ETHICAL GOVERNANCE AUDIT

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1 PURPOSE

To receive and consider the Ethical Governance Audit Report prepared by the Institute of Public Finance.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 Following the report and recommendations made at the last meeting of this Committee, Keith Stevens of the Institute of Public Finance has carried out an Ethical Governance Audit and his report is attached as Appendix A.

2.2 As the audit was received just in time for the despatch date of this agenda, there has been no opportunity for any officer comments to be included in this report. These may, however, be reported orally at the meeting.

2.3 The questionnaires circulated both to Members and senior officers as part of the audit are also attached as Appendices B and C respectively.

4 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Contained in the Ethical Governance Audit Report or will be addressed at the Committee meeting.

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

To consider the report and make such recommendation as are considered necessary to the Executive or Full Council.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- Model I&DeA Ethical Governance Audit.

APPENDICES

- Appendix A will be the Ethical Governance Audit, Appendix B the Member Questionnaire and Appendix C the officer Questionnaire.