

Report for: Standards Committee – 5 October 2021

Title: Committee Work Programme

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Ward(s) affected: N/A

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** Non-Key Decision

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 Members to note current work programme and put forward any comments on suggested areas of work.

25th of January 2022

1. Independent Members Appointment

The Independent Persons were appointed for 2 years only in 2020 and their appointments are due to expire on the 30th of June 2022. The 2 year appointment was agreed by the Committee following consideration of the report on Standards in Public Life' which recommended that Independent Persons should be appointed for a period of two years, with the option to extend for a further two years. the Committee will need to consider a process for review and extension?

2. Member's Allowances 2022/23

There will likely be an updated report from the Independent Review Panel of the LGA with recommendations on allowances for Councillors. Information is currently being sought from Democratic Services in London.

3. Further update paper on Declarations of Interest and Personal Safety for Councillors

28th February 2022

- 1. Early report on any potential constitutional changes following a review by Legal and Finance and Procurement**
- 2. Annual update on Member Complaints**

3. Final Report on Member's Allowances 2022/23

4. Council Report on Independent Persons appointments.