



# Borough of Telford and Wrekin

## Governance

Wednesday 2 October 2024

### Annual Report on the Committee

### for Standards in Public Life 2023/2024

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<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Cllr Zona Hannington - Cabinet Member: Finance, Governance & Customer Services
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<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All Wards
<b>Key Decision:</b>	Not Key Decision
<b>Forward Plan:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Report considered by:</b>	Governance Committee – 2 October 2024

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#### 1.0 Recommendations for decision/noting:

- 1.1 That the Governance Committee consider, and if applicable, comment on the Annual Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life included in Appendix A.

#### 2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 For the Committee to receive the Annual Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life.

#### 3.0 Background

- 3.1 In July 2024, the Committee on Standards in Public Life published its annual report for 2023-24.

- 3.2 The Governance Committee has a duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by members and co-opted members of the Council. Furthermore, it is advisable for the Committee to be kept informed of any issues arising out of the Annual Report from the Committee on Standards in Public Life as they may also add to learning at the local level.

#### **4.0 Summary of main proposals**

- 4.1 Governance Committee is asked to note the annual report of the Committee for Standards in Public Life. By noting the work of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, Members will be better informed to discharge their duty to promote high ethical standards.

#### **5.0 Alternative Options**

- 5.1 There are no alternative options.

#### **6.0 Key Risks**

- 6.1 There are no key risks associated with this report.

#### **7.0 Council Priorities**

- 7.1 A community-focused, innovative council providing efficient and quality services.

#### **8.0 Financial Implications**

- 8.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

#### **9.0 Legal and HR Implications**

- 9.1 There are no legal and HR implications arising from this report.

#### **10.0 Ward Implications**

- 10.1 There are no specific ward implications arising from this report.

#### **11.0 Health, Social and Economic Implications**

- 11.1 There are no health, social and economic Implications arising from this report.

#### **12.0 Equality and Diversity Implications**

- 12.1 There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

#### **13.0 Climate Change and Environmental Implications**

- 13.1 There are no climate change and environmental implications arising from this report.

**14.0 Background Papers**

None

**15.0 Appendices**

A Committee on Standards in Public Life Annual Report 2023 – 2024

**16.0 Report Sign Off**

<b>Signed off by</b>	<b>Date sent</b>	<b>Date signed off</b>	<b>Initials</b>
Legal	24/09/2024	24/09/2024	RP