

## **STANDARDS COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Members and co-opted Members of the Council.

Assisting Members and co-opted Members of the Council to observe the Bolsover Members' Code of Conduct.

Advising the Council on the adoption or revision of a Code of Conduct.

Monitoring the operation of the Bolsover Members' Code of Conduct.

Advising, giving training and arranging to train Members and co-opted Members of the Council on matters relating to the Bolsover Members' Code of Conduct.

Member Training, (including the attendance of Members at courses), in relation to matters affecting their conduct and probity.

All matters relating to dispensations for Members to speak and vote where the Members concerned have interests.

To conduct determination hearings into complaints against Members.

To promote and maintain high standards of conduct within town/parish councils and to assist them in following their own Codes of Conduct.

To deal with complaints against town and parish councillors in accordance with 8 above.

To grant exemptions for politically restricted posts.

Responsibility for the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) Policy and procedures, to include monitoring, revisions and approval.

### **To Recommend to Council with regard to:-**

Overseeing the Council's "Whistle Blowing" Policy and arrangements and to amend them as appropriate.

Changes required to the Constitution as a result of the monitoring and reviewing undertaken by the Committee.