# Manchester City Council Report for Information

- Report to: Standards Committee 16 November 2009
- Subject: Monitoring Report

**Report of:** The City Solicitor

### **PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

To inform the Committee of the number and outcome of complaints that members of the Council had breached the Council's Code of Conduct made since the last monitoring report until 31 October 2009.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1) To note the Standards Committee's findings in relation to complaints against members during the period of 1 November 2008 to 31 October 2009

## FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES FOR REVENUE BUDGET:

None.

## FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES FOR CAPITAL BUDGET:

None.

## WARDS AFFECTED:

All.

#### **IMPLICATIONS FOR:**

Antipoverty	Equal Opportunities	Environment	Employment
No	No	No	No

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## **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

Report to the Standards Committee on 17 November 2008.

### Background

- 1. The City Solicitor last delivered a monitoring report to the Standards Committee on 17 November 2008. This report is to update the Committee on complaints that members of the Council had breached the Council's Code of Conduct for Members ("the Code") during the period 1 November 2008 to 31 October 2009.
- 2. Complaints that members of the Council had breached the Code were assessed by the Council's Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committees.

## **Complaints Processed**

- 3. In the period covered by this report 6 complaints were made.
- 4. In relation to one of these complaints the decision of the Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee was to take no further action.
- 5. In relation to one of these complaints the decision of the Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee was to refer the matter to the Monitoring officer for other action.
- 6. In relation to two of these complaints the decision of the Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee was to refer the matter to the Monitoring officer of investigation.
- 7. Two of these complaints are currently in the process of referral to the Standards (Assessment) Sub-Committee for initial assessment.