**REPORT TO:** 

**DEVELOPMENT CONTROL** 

**AGENDA ITEM:** 

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**DATE OF** 

**MEETING:** 

24<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2004

COMMITTEE

CATEGORY: DELEGATED

**REPORT FROM:** 

MONITORING OFFICER

**OPEN** 

PARAGRAPH NO: N/A

**MEMBERS**'

**CONTACT POINT:** 

**ANDREA McCASKIE (5831)** 

SUBJECT:

**MEMBERS' PLANNING CODE OF** 

**GOOD PRACTICE** 

REF:

DOC:

WARD(S)

AFFECTED:

**ALL** 

**TERMS OF** 

REFERENCE: DC01

## 1.0 Reason for Exempt

1.1 Not applicable.

## 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Members' Planning Code of Good Practice be referred to the Standards Committee for comments prior to consideration and adoption by the Full Council.

## 3.0 Purpose of Report

3.1 To consider a Members' Planning Code of Good Practice for referral to the Standards Committee for comments prior to consideration and adoption by the Full Council.

## 4.0 Detail

- 4.1 Members will recall that at the Planning Training Update held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2004, reference was made to a Planning Code of Good Practice which was in the course of preparation for future consideration by the Committee.
- 4.2 The proposed Code of Good Practice is now attached at Annexe 'A' for Members' consideration. This has been adapted for this Council's purposes from the model Code prepared by the Association of Council Secretaries and Solicitors and is designed to assist and protect Members during their involvement in the various stages of the planning process. The Code will supplement the existing Members' Code of Conduct, which all Members have agreed to observe in a written undertaking.

- 4.3 It is proposed that the Code of Good Practice should be referred to the Standards Committee for its comments prior to final consideration and adoption by the Full Council.
- 5.0 Financial Implications
- 5.1 None.
- 6.0 Corporate Implications
- 6.1 None.
- 7.0 Community Implications
- 7.1 None.
- 8.0 Background Papers
- 8.1 Proposed Planning Code of Good Practice