Agenda Item no:

REPORT TO: Standards Committee

REPORT BY: Monitoring Officer

DATE: 14th September 2012

SUBJECT: MEMBER'S CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING EVENTS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Members with the details of the Code of Conduct Training Events that the Monitoring Officer is offering to all Town and Community Councils. Members of the Standards Committee attendance at some or all of these events would be very welcome.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The role of the Standards Committee is to promote and maintain high standards of conduct amongst Members and to assist them to keep to the Code of Conduct.
- 2.2 The Monitoring Officer provided a half day session on the Member's Code shortly after the elections this year to County Councillors with excellent attendance records achieved. This was in part due to the Council's stance on adopting an amendment to the Code of Conduct requiring all Members to attend at least one training event on the Code during one full term of office.
- 2.3 This training is now being extended to all Town and Community Councils and a schedule of events is attached at Appendix 1 informing Standards Committee Members of the dates and venues. As in previous years the attendance of Standards Committee Members at these events is welcomed.

3 RECOMMENDATION

That Members note the training events and agree, if possible, Members' respective attendances.