



<b>Name of Committee:</b>	<b>STANDARDS</b>
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<b>Directorate:</b>	Chief Executive
<b>Corporate Manager:</b>	Francis Fernandes Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer
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<b>Report Title</b>	PLANNING PROTOCOL
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### **Recommendations**

That the Committee note the proposed new Probity in Planning Protocol and make such comments on the draft as they consider appropriate.

### **Background**

A revised Protocol on Probity in Planning has been drafted as part of the improvements to the Planning Service which the Council are seeking to implement in response to the Audit Commission's Service Inspection Report published last September.

The Council have had a protocol on Probity in Planning for some years, which has been subject to minor revision at times. The present draft however is a complete rewriting of the Protocol to put it into a more accessible format of "do's" and "don'ts", and to take account of the Revised Model Code of Conduct.

The draft is brought to the Committee for their information and comment.

**Background Papers**

Audit Commission Service Inspection Report: Environment Planning Services  
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Existing Protocol in Council's Constitution

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