

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 4 DECEMBER
2019



Title of Report		STANDARDS AND ETHICS – QUARTER 2 REPORT	
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Background Papers		None	Public Report: Yes
Purpose of Report		To receive the figures for local determination of complaints and the ethical indicators for Quarter 2 of 2019/2020	
Recommendations		THE REPORT BE RECEIVED AND NOTED.	

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Standards and Ethics Report provides information in two categories: Local Determination of Complaints and Ethical Indicators.
- 1.2 Following endorsement of the revised format Quarter 2 sees the second issue of the new Standards and Ethics Report. In response to feedback, more commentary has been included where there is a variation in trends reported.

2. MODERN SLAVERY

- 2.1 Commentary has specifically been added in relation to modern slavery. The provision within the ethical indicators is for reports of modern slavery. This is as opposed to actual findings of modern slavery, which on both occasions has not been found.
- 2.2 The important thing for the Council to do is ensure it follows the correct procedure where it does receive reports of modern slavery, which is to ensure the matter is expediently passed on to the appropriate authority. It is not for the council to investigate these reports and make a determination either way.
- 2.3 Within the ethical indicators, therefore, it is hoped that it shows that for every report that comes in, the same are forwarded on to the relevant authorities.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate	
Council Priorities:	Insert relevant Council Priorities: - Our communities are safe, healthy and connected
Policy Considerations:	N/A
Safeguarding:	Safeguarding in relation to Modern Slavery
Equalities/Diversity:	N/A
Customer Impact:	Customers have the opportunity to report on measures that are included in this report.
Economic and Social Impact:	Detail any economic or social impact as a result of the decision.
Environment and Climate Change:	N/A
Consultation/Community Engagement:	Customers have the opportunity to report on measures that are included in this report
Risks:	By receiving this information members will be able to manage risks.
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