

REPORT FOR DECISION

Agenda Item

MEETING:	STANDARDS COMMITTEE				
DATE:	WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2004				
SUBJECT:	LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN – COMPLAINT STATISTICS				
REPORT FROM:	MONITORING OFFICER				
CONTACT OFFICER:	DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES				
TYPE OF DECISION:	COMMITTEE				
REPORT STATUS:	OPEN				
PURPOSE/SUMMARY: To present to Members statistics supplied by the Ombudsman OPTIONS AND RECOMMENDED OPTION (with reasons): The Committee is asked to note the report.					
IMPLICATIONS - Financial Implications and Risk Considerations		There are no such implications arising from this report			
Corporate Aims/Policy Framework:					
Do the proposals accord with the Policy Framework? Yes $\Box \checkmark$ No \Box					
Are there any legal implications? Yes □ No □ ✓					
Considered by Monitoring Officer: Yes □√					
Statement by Director of Finance and E-Government:		N/A			
Staffing/ICT/Property:		N/A			
Wards Affected:		N/A			
Scrutiny Interest:		N/A			
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DIRECTOR: LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

Chief Executive/	Executive Member/	Ward Members	Partners
Management Board	Chair		
YES	NO	NO	NO
Scrutiny Panel	Executive	Committee	Council
NO	NO	YES	NO

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Ombudsman has supplied provisional statistics on complaints made against the Council, which are to be used for two purposes:
 - The figures relating to complaints determined for 2002/3 and 2003/4 (excluding those complaints which are determined as premature) will be included in the Ombudsman's Annual Report on the 2003/2004 year; and
 - The full set of statistics will form an integral part of the Annual Letter to the Council which will be sent in June 2004.
- 1.2 Copies of the statistics are attached for information at Appendix A and include the two cases presented to Members at this meeting.

2.0 CONCLUSION

2.1 Members are asked to note the statistics supplied by the Ombudsman.

List of Background Papers: Nil

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