Corporate Resources Town Hall, Upper Street, London N1 2UD

Report of: Director of Corporate Resources

Meeting of	Date	Agenda Item	Ward(s)
Standards Sub - Committee	31 st January 2008		

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Subject: Councillor Mahmood Khan

1. Synopsis

This report refers to the Standards Committee a request by Councillor Hill for a review by the Sub-Committee of a decision made by sub-committee (B) of the Standards Committee that no action should be taken in respect of an allegation by Councillor Hill that Councillor Khan has failed to comply with the Members Code of Conduct.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That members consider the papers concerning this allegation and decide:
 - (i) to refer the allegation to the Monitoring Officer for investigation;
 - (ii) to refer the allegation to the Standards Board for England; or
 - (ii) that no action should be taken in respect of the allegation.

3. Background Details

- 3.1 The Standards Sub-Committee (A) considered the allegation made by Councillor Hill against Councillor Khan at its meeting of 7th February 2008 and decided that no action should be taken in respect of it. Councillors Hill and Khan were notified of this decision on 14th February 2008 and on 27th February 2008 a request for a review was received from Councillor Hill.
- 3.2 This committee should consider the information contained in the Appendix to this report and the provisions of the Code of Conduct. If the committee considers that the facts stated in the Appendix would, if true, amount to a breach of the Code, they may either:
 - (i) refer the allegation to the Monitoring Officer for investigation;

or (if they consider that the breach if proved would merit a sanction higher than that which the committee is able to impose)

- (ii) refer the allegation to the Standards Board for England.
- 3.3 In the event that the allegation is referred to the Monitoring officer for investigation this will be undertaken in accordance with the council's procedure for local investigation and a hearing before the Standards Committee will take place within 30 days of the date of the decision to investigate.
- 3.4 In the event that the Committee decides to take no action concerning the allegation, written notice of that decision and the reasons for it must be given to the councillors Hill and Khan. There is no provision for further review if the committee does decide no action should be taken.

4. Implications

4.1 Legal Implications

These are contained in the body of the report

4.2 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

4.3 Equality Implications

The process described in this report is a statutory requirement.

Background papers:

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None.		
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