DATE: 3rd June 2009

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Corporate and Policy

SUBJECT: Standards Committee Action List

WARDS: N/A

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To seek Items for a work programme for the next Municipal Year

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 That consideration be given to a work programme for their Municipal Year 2009/2010

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 Members will recall from the last meeting that the Action List was pruned down and supplied for comment. All of the actions on the list had been completed.
- 3.2 Members were asked to give consideration to further items to be adopted as a work programme for the next Municipal Year.
- 3.3 It is suggested that training and development be retained as an ongoing action, particularly as the local assessment regime becomes more established.
- 3.4 It is also suggested that Members keep under review the Standards Committee (Further Provisions) Regulations 2009 which were expected to come into force in May 2009. Members will no doubt wish to consider and comment on the implications in due course.
- 3.5 Members may also wish to consider trends emerging from the quarterly and annual returns provided to the Standards Board by Councils across the country.
- 3.6 It is also suggested that Members may wish to consider the guidance on other action relating to local assessment when it is published, and to keep up to date on the application of the Code of Conduct to private capacity.
- 3.7 Members' views on the suggestions and indeed any further suggestions of their own would be most welcome.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None
- 5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 None
- 6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES
- 6.1 **Children and Young People in Halton** None
- 6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton None
- 6.3 **A Healthy Halton** None
- 6.4 **A Safer Halton** None
- 6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal None
- 7.0 RISK ANALYSIS
- 7.1 No key issues have been identified which require control measures

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 None

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

9.1 None under the meaning of the Act