

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Standards Committee

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STANDARDS COMMITTEE 2011/12 BUDGET

Purpose

1. To note the budget spend in 2011/12.

Recommendations and Reasons

2. That the Standards Committee **note** the report.

Considerations

3. The Standards Committee budget for 2008/09 through 2011/12 was £15,040. There was a total spend in 2008/09 of £13,838.23, in 2009/10 of £4,835 and in 2010/11 of £12,614.10. The significant difference in spend between 2008/09 and 2009/10 related to the deferral of 2009/10 training in anticipation of a new Code of Conduct; in 2008/09 the cost of such training was £10,220.
4. The following costs were incurred in 2011/12:

Public Notices in <i>Royston Crow</i> of findings of the Hearings Panels CORCOM 4601	£626.35
as required by The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008	
External Investigations (CORCOM 4929 and 4934, work undertaken to 31 March 2012)	£1,972.58
Total (to date)	£2,958.93

5. Officer time, including time spent on investigations conducted internally, are not a charge on the Standards Committee budget. Their time is a salary cost to the authority. Time spent on investigations amounts to approximately 30 hours per investigation.
6. Costs relating to committee and panel meetings, and public hearings, are charged to the Democratic Representation budget.

Background Papers: the following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

Standards Committee 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11 Budget Reports

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