# CO-OPTED PARISH MEMBER TO THE NHDC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

### **SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

The Co-Opted Parish Member will have:

- a keen interest in standards in public life.
- a wish to serve the local community and uphold local democracy.
- the ability to be objective, independent and impartial.
- leadership qualities, particularly in respect of exercising sound judgement.

## Essential criteria

The Co-opted Parish Member will:

- be a person in whose impartiality and integrity the public can have confidence.
- understand and comply with confidentiality requirements.
- have a demonstrable interest in local issues.
- have an awareness of the importance of ethical behaviour.

# Desirable additional criteria are:

The Co-opted Parish Member may have:

- working knowledge and/or experience of local government or other public service and/or of large complex organisations.
- experience or knowledge of public sector governance.
- an understanding of the pressures and constraints on elected or co-opted Members operating in a democratically accountable public body.

You should demonstrate in your application how you meet the essential and any desirable criteria as this will assist the short-listing process.

Candidates' suitability for appointment will be assessed from the application form and interview.

### **Eligibility for Appointment**

Candidates must be serving Members of a Parish Council within the North Hertfordshire District.