

Councillor Conduct Committee

Thursday, 16 July 2015 at 6.00 pm Room 3, Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XA Contact: Penelope Williams

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AGENDA - PART 1

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary, other pecuniary or non pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda.

3. MEDIA RELATIONS FOR COUNCILLORS (Pages 1 - 4)

To receive an update on the guidance provided for councillors when dealing with the media.

The Press and Communications Chapter of the Members Handbook 2014 is provided for information.

4. WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16 (Pages 5 - 6)

To agree the work programme for 2015-16.

5. CHANGES TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT ON THE DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To receive feedback from the whips following the report discussed at the last meeting of the committee on changes to the provisions relating to declaration of interests in the Councillor Code of Conduct.

6. INTERNET AND EMAIL USAGE POLICY FOR COUNCILLORS (Pages 7 - 22)

To receive a verbal report from Mohi Nawaz, Corporate Systems Assurance Officer on the internet and email usage policy for councillors.

A copy of the Members Information Security Policy Agreement is attached for information.

7. **GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY** (Pages 23 - 34)

To receive a report updating members on the gifts and hospitality received by councillors and associated guidance.

8. DISPENSATIONS (Pages 35 - 46)

To receive an update report on dispensations granted to members in 2014/15.

9. UPDATE ON CURRENT COMPLAINTS

To receive a verbal update from the Monitoring Officer on the complaints currently under consideration.

10. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24 MARCH 2015 (Pages 47 - 52)

To receive and agree the minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2015.

11. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To note the dates agreed for future meetings of the committee:

- Thursday 17 September 2015
- Wednesday 2 December 2015
- Thursday 24 March 2016

12. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To pass a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 excluding the press and public from the meeting for any items of business moved to part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in those paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

There is no part 2 agenda.