

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCILLOR CONDUCT COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY, 1 MARCH 2022**

**COUNCILLORS**

**PRESENT** Glynis Vince, Elaine Hayward, Christine Hamilton and Rick Jewell

**APOLOGIES** Claire Stewart

**OFFICERS:** Terry Osborne (Director of Law and Governance) Robyn McIntock (Governance Officer)

**Also Attending:** Joan Mansfield (Independent Person)

**1  
WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Claire Stewart (substitute Cllr Christine Hamilton).

Cllr Glynis Vince was appointed as Chair.

**2  
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations for interests were received.

**3  
MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> September were agreed with the following amendments:

- In attendance; Joan Mansfield
- To circulate the minutes held on 23 September 2020.

**ACTION:** Terry Osborne, to circulate the minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2020 and report back to the next meeting.

**4  
INDEPENDENT PERSON RECRUITMENT**

Members noted that Christine Chamberlain had sadly passed away, after her dedicated service to Enfield Council.

Terry Osborne (Interim Director of Law and Governance) explained the importance of the role and having a second independent person on the

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committee. It was recommended to start the recruitment process after the election on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

Members noted the suggested job description and advertisement.

**AGREED:** To recruit an independent person using the suggested job description and advert after the election.

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#### UPDATE ON COMPLAINTS

**AGREED** in accordance with Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for consideration of Item 4 listed on Part 2 of the agenda, on the grounds that confidential information would be disclosed to them in breach of the obligation of confidence; and nothing in this Part shall be taken to authorise or require the disclosure of confidential information in breach of the obligation of confidence.

The committee noted the updated list of complaints against councillors prepared by the Director of Law and Governance and noted progress made on investigating those complaints.

Members of the committee felt that all members should be requested to attend the training offered on the Councillor code of conduct as part of the member induction programme in May. Members asked if training on social media awareness and appropriate use could be included in the member induction programme.

**AGREED:** To recommend that all members be requested to attend training on the Councillor Code of Conduct after the election in May.