

Joint Standards Committee

23 September 2021

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Update on Model Code of Conduct

Summary

This report provides the Joint Standards Committee with an update on progress of the adoption of the LGA Model Code of Conduct.

Background

The Committee will recall that at their last meeting the Model Code of Conduct was accepted with an amendment to the limit for gifts and hospitality only. The final draft of the Model Code of Conduct was then due to be considered by Full Council.

At the meeting of Full Council in July 2021, there was insufficient time for Members to consider the Model Code, therefore, it will be brought to the next Meeting of Full Council which is due to take place on 21 October 2021.

Hoey Ainscough, who are assisting the Council with the implementation of the Model Code, have started conducting training to Members and Officers, with the aim of an update being provided after Full Council.

Implications

Financial

Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

The Equality Act 2010 places specific duties on Local Authorities. Having a clear and concise Code of Conduct which clearly prohibits unlawful discrimination gives the public confidence in Members and the Council as a whole.

Legal

As detailed within the report.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

Members are asked to note the update contained within the report.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s):

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

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Background Papers:

- **Model Code of Conduct**