

Extract from the - Joint Governance Committee - 11 February 2020

JGC/059/19-20 Review of the Code of Conduct for Members

Summary of discussion:

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Digital & Resources, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and copies are attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 13.

The Committee was asked to consider proposed revisions to the Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council Code of Conduct for Members.

Officers advised that there was a correlation between complaints received in relation to conduct and attendance at code of conduct training sessions. It was suggested that Members attend at least training sessions in a term of office i.e. once every two years and it was agreed that the codes be amended to reflect this change.

A Member questioned whether the revised codes would be adopted by the Parish Councils. Officers advised that they were happy to give advice and share the code but each Parish Council would need to decide whether to adopt or not.

Resolved

The Joint Governance Committee noted the proposed revised Code of Conduct for Members attached to the report as Appendix 1 and recommended its adoption to both Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council, as amended.