
REPORT TO:	STANDARDS COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 5
DATE OF MEETING:	18 TH DECEMBER 2008	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	MONITORING OFFICER	OPEN PARAGRAPH NO: N/A
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SUBJECT:	CONSULTATION PAPER – COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL: REAL PEOPLE, REAL POWER: CODES OF CONDUCT FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	

1.0 Reason for Exempt

1.1 Not applicable.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That a response on the consultation paper be formulated for submission to the Department of Communities and Local Government.

3.0 Purpose of Report

3.1 To consider a consultation paper issued by the Department of Communities and Local Government which invites views on proposals for revising the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 and the Relevant Authorities (General Principles) Order 2001. Responses have been requested by 24th December 2008.

4.0 Detail

4.1 Members of the Committee are requested to refer to the report to the previous Meeting of the Committee on 28th October 2008. In addition, draft responses to the questions prepared by Bevan Brittan which were referred to at the last Meeting are now attached at Annexe 'A'.

4.2 At the Full Council Meeting on 13th November 2008, Members considered the consultation paper and authorised the Standards Committee to respond on behalf of the Council.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 Article 8.02 of the Council's Constitution provides that a role of the Standards Committee is to promote and maintain high standards of conduct for councillors and co-opted Members.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 The Council's Standards Committee plays a vital role in promoting and maintaining the highest standards of conduct by Councillors of South Derbyshire District Council and all the Parishes in its area.

7.0 Background Papers

- 7.1 Oct 08 Consultation Paper