

Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING	Standards Committee	
MEETING DATE	17 October 2023	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE: <i>[Cabinet reports only]</i>
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TITLE:	Review of the LGA Model Code of Conduct	
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1 THE ISSUE

1.1 The Local Government Association (LGA) published its Model Code of Conduct for Councillors (Model Code) for the first time on the 3 December 2019. In publishing the Model Code the LGA undertook to review this annually. Following its publication the LGA updated the Model Code on the 19 January and 17 May 2021. B&NES Council adopted the LGA Model Code (17 May 2021 version) at its Council meeting on the 22 July 2021.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is asked to;

2.1 Note that the version of the LGA Model Code adopted by Council is the current May 2021 version of the LGA Model Code and there have been no updates that would necessitate a review of the Council's adopted Code at this time.

3 THE REPORT

3.1 The Council is not obliged to adopt any changes to the Model Code made by the LGA but it is good practice for the Committee to consider any changes made by the LGA and then decide whether to recommend to Council that it adopt any changes.

3.2 In this case no changes have been proposed by the LGA since the council adopted the 17 May 2021 version and no review is necessary.

3.3 The situation will be reviewed next year to ensure any proposed changes are considered by the Committee in a timely manner.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 None.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 None.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision-making risk management guidance.

7 EQUALITIES

7.1 None arising from this report.

8 CLIMATE CHANGE

8.1 None arising from this report.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 None.

10 CONSULTATION

10.1 None.

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Background papers	None
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