

## Part A

**Report to:** Council

**Date of meeting:** Tuesday, 16 March 2021

**Report author:** Group Head of Democracy and Governance

**Title:** Adopting the LGA Model Code of Conduct for Councillors

### 1.0 Summary

1.1 Standards Committee at its meeting on 27 January 2021 considered a report regarding the adoption of the LGA Model Code of Conduct for Councillors. Attached as appendices 1 and 2 are a copy of that report and the Model Code.

1.2 Standards Committee recommended to Council that the LGA Model Code of Conduct be adopted in place of the existing code.

### 2.0 Risks

#### 2.1

Nature of risk	Consequence	Suggested Control Measures	Response (treat, tolerate, terminate or transfer)	Risk Rating (combination of severity and likelihood)
That Council does not agree to replace the code	The Council will continue to operate under its existing code	That the LGA Code be adopted	treat	1

### 3.0 Recommendations

3.1 That the LGA Model Code of Conduct be adopted.

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### 4.0 Detailed proposal

4.1 Attached is the report to Standards Committee of the 27 January 2021 together with the LGA Model Code of Conduct. Standards Committee agreed to recommend

to Council that the LGA Model Code be adopted to replace the Council's existing Code of Conduct for Councillors.

## 5.0 Implications

### 5.1 Financial

5.1.1 The Shared Director of Finance comments that there are no financial implications in this report.

### 5.2 Legal Issues (Monitoring Officer)

5.2.1 The Group Head of Democracy and Governance comments that under the Localism Act 2011 all councils are required to adopt a code of conduct for councillors.

### 5.3 Equalities, Human Rights and Data Protection

5.3.1 Having had regard to the council's obligations under s149 Equality Act 2010, it is considered the LGA code has the necessary obligations requiring councillors to treat others with respect and promote equalities and not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

Having had regard to the council's obligations under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018, it is considered that officers are not required to undertake a Data Processing Impact Assessment (DPIA) for this report.

### 5.4 Staffing

5.4.1 N/A

### 5.5 Accommodation

5.5.1 N/A

### 5.6 Community Safety/Crime and Disorder

5.6.1 N/A

### 5.7 Sustainability

5.7.1 N/A

## Appendices

Appendix 1 Report to Standards Committee 27 January 2021

Appendix 2 LGA Model Code of Conduct

## Background papers

No papers were used in the preparation of this report.