

APPENDIX A

Member Code of Conduct and the Principles of Conduct in Public Life

changes reflect revisions to the wording of the descriptions to the Principles of Conduct, made by the Committee on Standards in Public Life in January 2013.

SELFLESSNESS: The holders of public office should act solely in terms of the public interest. ~~They should no do so in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family or their friends.~~

INTEGRITY: Holders of public office ~~should not place~~ must avoid placing themselves under any ~~financial or other~~ obligation to outside individuals or organisations that might ~~seek try~~ inappropriately to influence them in ~~the performance of their official duties their work.~~ They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or there material benefits for themselves, their family of their friends. The must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

OBJECTIVITY: ~~In carrying out public business, including making public appointments, awarding contracts or recommending individuals for rewards and benefits h~~ Holders of public office ~~should~~ must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and ~~make choices~~ on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Holders of public office are accountable for their decisions and actions to the public and must submit themselves to ~~the whatever~~ scrutiny necessary to ensure this is appropriate to their office.

OPENNESS: Holders of public ~~office~~ office should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing ~~have a duty to declare any private interest relating to their public duties and to take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a way that protects the public interest.~~

HONESTY: Holders of public office ~~have a duty to declare any private interests relating to their public duties and to take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a way that protects the public interests~~ should be truthful.

LEADERSHIP: Holders of public office should ~~promote and support~~ exhibit these principles ~~by leadership and example~~ in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs.