

# **JOINT COMMITTEE FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY**

**19 JUNE 2009**

## **REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

### **ADOPTION OF REVISED STANDING ORDERS**

#### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1** To consider adopting revising Standing Orders, in the light of changes to the Code of Conduct and the Chief Executive of the County Council.

#### **2.0 Proposed Changes**

- 2.1** The current standing orders of the Joint Committee are attached as an appendix. The following 2 changes are proposed:-
- (a)** Mr Latham is no longer the County's Chief Executive and it is proposed to delete the name of the Secretary so paragraph 7 would read  
'The Secretary of the Joint Committee shall be the Chief Executive of the Nottinghamshire County Council. The costs of operating the Joint Committee will be met by the County Council.'
- (b)** Paragraph 26-28 need to be revised to take account of the new Members Code of Conduct. The suggested new paragraphs are as follows:-
- "26.** Where any Member has an interest in any matter to be discussed or decided, s/he shall, in accordance with Code of Conduct for Members, declare the existence and nature of that interest and whether the interest is personal or personal and prejudicial. Any declaration of interest shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- 27.** Where any Member has declared a prejudicial interest in a matter, s/he shall withdraw from the room in which the meeting is being held while the matter is under consideration unless:
- (a) the disability to discuss, or vote upon the matter has been removed by the Secretary of State under Section 97 of the Local Government Act 1972 or by Standards Committee of the City or County Council
  - (b) the matter is under consideration by the meeting as part of a report of minutes of another meeting and it not itself the subject of debate

28. If the Member shall have elected to remain within easy reach, that Member shall be recalled by an appropriate officer before any further business is begun.
29. Any person or officer of either the City or County Councils who is appointed to do anything in connection with the Joint Committee which enables him/her to speak at meetings thereof, shall make the same disclosures of prejudicial interest and shall withdraw from the room in which the meeting is being held on the same occasions as s/he would have to do if s/he were a Member of the Joint Committee.”

### **3.0 RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 That revised Standing Orders 7, 26, 27, 28 and 29 for the Joint Committee be agreed as set out above.

### **4.0 Statutory and Policy Implications**

- 4.1 This report has been compiled after consideration of the implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder and those using the service. Where such implications are material, they have been described in the text of the report.

### **Comments of the Service Director Law and Democracy**

The Joint Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in the report. (SLB 11.6.09)

### **5.0 Background Papers Available for Inspection**

- 5.1 None.