

ETHICS COMMITTEE

**Meeting held on Monday 29 June 2015 at 6:30pm in Room F5, Town Hall,
Katharine Street, Croydon, CR0 1NX**

MINUTES - PART A

Present: Councillor Oliver Lewis (Chair)
Councillor Maggie Mansell Pat Ryan (Vice Chair)
Councillors: Jan Buttinger, Maddie Henson, Dudley Mead and
Mark Watson

Mr. Ashok Kumar, Independent Person (non –voting)

Absent: Mrs. Anne Smith, Independent Person (non-voting)

A10/15 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the Part A minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 February 2015 be signed as a correct record.

A11/15 Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of a pecuniary interest at this meeting, not already registered.

A12/15 Urgent Business (if any)

There was no urgent business.

A13/15 Exempt Items

Proposed by Councillor Maggie Mansell

Seconded by Councillor Maddie Henson

A14/15 UPDATE ON RECENT PROSECUTION OF COUNCILLOR UNDER THE LOCALIAM ACT 2011.

The Chair instructed the Borough Solicitor to draft a letter to all Members giving details of the outcome of the prosecution case.

RESOLVED to note the recent prosecution of a Councillor and received the update on the learning arising from the prosecution.

A15/15 DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE CHECKS FOR MEMBERS

The Borough Solicitor agreed to contact all schools to remind them of their responsibilities in respect of DBS checks.

RESOLVED to note the Protocol in respect of criminal records checks via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) for Members, as attached at appendix 1 of the previously distributed report, as approved by the former Chair under delegation from the Ethics Committee, such Protocol to be effective as of 1 July 2015.

A16/15 CONSIDERATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOLLOWING SPECIAL INQUIRY REVIEW

The Committee agreed to support a letter of thanks to members of the special inquiry panel.

RESOLVED to note the Special Inquiry Report and considered whether there were any changes required to the Code of Conduct or Members' Scheme of Allowance as a result of the report.

A17/15 DISPENSATIONS APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERS

One application for dispensation was received from Councillor Carole Bonner in respect of her role as Chair of the Trustees of the Learning Tree Pre-School.

A18/15 Camera Resolution

Proposed by Councillor Dudley Mead
Seconded by Councillor Maddie Henson

A19/15 DISPENSATIONS APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERS (PART B)

One application for dispensation was received from Councillor Carole Bonner in respect of her role as Chair of the Trustees of the Learning Tree Pre-School.

MINUTES - PART B – None

The meeting ended at 7:25pm