Agenda Item 4.5

Hi all

Mid Devon District Council has amended the Model Code of Conduct and if you have adopted the previous Model you may wish to adopt the new Model or produce your own.

The main changes to the new Model Code of Conduct for Towns and Parishes are:

- 3.2 – Bullying and Harassment – Now included and follow the advice from the Committee on Standards in Public Life
- 7 - Gifts and Hospitality - Amended to reflect the requirement to disclose to the Proper Officer of your Council (you will need to update this section with the amount your Council requires to be disclosed)
- 8 – Dispensations – Amended to include the requirement to submit a written request to the Proper Officer of your Council

The Register of Interest Form has been amended to remove the requirement to disclose Gifts and Hospitality (this should be recorded separately by the Proper Officer of your Council and is the responsibility of your Council to administer). There is no requirement to change the existing Register of Interest forms, please use the new forms as and when you co-opt new members.

I have included a Gifts and Hospitality Form should you wish to adopt it, otherwise it is perfectly acceptable for you to produce your own.

I have sent the new documents in both word and PDF as you will need to amend them to reflect your own councils requirements.

If you require any additional information, please do let me know.

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