

MINUTE OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE – 4 FEBRUARY 2014

22. WHISTLEBLOWING CODE

Consideration was given to the joint report of the Borough Solicitor and Borough Treasurer, as contained on pages 75 to 86 of the Book of Reports, updating the Council's Whistleblowing Code, attached as Appendix 1.

The report highlighted the changes that were being proposed to ensure compliance following a change to the Public Disclosure Act 1998 and practice arrangements produced by the Whistleblowing Commission. The report had previously been considered by the Audit & Governance Committee on 28 January 2014 and would be considered by Council at its meeting on 26 February 2014.

In discussion reference was made to actions to ensure staff are made aware of the updated Code and their protection in relation to disclosures under it.

RESOLVED: That the updated Whistleblowing Code be endorsed.