

## **Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board**

27 June 2022

### IJB MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

# Report by Clerk to the Board (Report No. G/22/104)

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report asks the Board to consider and approve the revised Members Code of Conduct.

#### 1. MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1.1 The Ethical Standards in Public life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 provides for Codes of Conduct for both local authority councillors and all other members of relevant public bodies, such as Integration Joint Boards (IJBs). The Act requires the Scottish Ministers to lay before Parliament a Model Code for Members of Devolved Public Bodies. Integration Joint Boards are listed in schedule 3 of the Act are required to produce a Code of Conduct in line with the Model Code. The current code for Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board was agreed back in 2015 at the inception of the Board. This can be viewed via the following link (Code of Conduct).
- 1.2 The revised Model Code was scrutinised and approved by the Scottish Parliament in October 2021 and a new Code is required to be produced and published by each IJB and approved by Scottish Ministers.
- 1.3 The revised Model Code highlights the need for all IJB members to take personal responsibility for their behaviour and to have an awareness of the organisation's policies in relation to a number of areas e.g. social media, equality, diversity and bullying and harassment.
- 1.4 The Standards Commission are providing guidance and individual Advice Notes to help members understanding of the Model Code. This information is available on their website at Home | The Standards Commission for Scotland (standardscommissionscotland.org.uk).
- 1.5 The revised Perth and Kinross Integrated Joint Board Model Code as provided in Appendix A, is based on a template Code provided by Scottish Government. The Board is asked to approve the Perth and Kinross

Integrated Joint Board Members Code of Conduct as outlined in Appendix A for submission to the Scottish Government for their approval.

# 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Board consider and approve the revised Members Code of Conduct for submission to the Scottish Government.

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**NOTE:** No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.