

Council Meeting
11 September 2007

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER
AGENDA ITEM 13.2

1. Member's Code of Conduct (Cl. Dec 26/6/07 – 39):

The Council at its last meeting on 26 June 2007 adopted a new Code of Conduct for Members

All Members, Independent Members of the Standards Committee and Co-opted Members of other committees were required within two calendar months from the adoption. to sign and return a form confirming that they agree to adhere to the provisions of the revised Code. That deadline was 26 August 2007

All have signed apart from two co-opted Members. One of the co-opted Members, Ms Pauline King of the Tackling Crime and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee has resigned from membership of the appointing body and a further appointee is awaited from their Annual General Meeting later this month.

The other co-opted Member is Cathy Goldin who is the Voluntary Aided representative of the Jewish Schools on the First Class Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Ms Goldin was away on holiday for most of the month of August and returned to her home on the bank holiday weekend where the deadline for the return of forms fell. She signed the form immediately but the date inserted on the form was after the deadline. Therefore, Ms Goldin cannot continue as a co-opted Member and can not sit on the Committee without being re-appointed.

In the circumstances, the Council are asked to re-appoint Ms Goldin as a co-opted Member on the First Class Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the period ending May 2008, ie the date of the Annual Meeting of the Council. Should Council agree to the re-appointment, Ms Goldin will then be asked to sign the requisite form again and would resume serving on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee immediately.

RECOMMEND –

- (1) That Ms Cathy Goldin be re-appointed as a co-opted member on the First Class Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee, representing the Jewish Voluntary Aided Schools, for the period ending May 2008, ie the date of the Annual Meeting of the Council**
- (2) That the position relating to Mrs Pauline King be noted.**

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