

**Bolsover District Council**

**Standards Committee**

**7 January 2016**

**Ethical Standards for Providers of Public Services**

**Report of the Monitoring Officer**

This report is public

**Purpose of the Report**

- To advise Committee of new guidance issued by the Committee on Standards in Public Life (CSPL) on Ethical Standards for the Providers of Public Services.

**1 Report Details**

- 1.1 In 2014, the Committee considered a report on ethical standards for providers of public services. It was acknowledged that many services are now provided by third parties on behalf of councils and it was important for these providers to adhere to the same principles required by local authorities. The report made a number of recommendations to Government to ensure that proportionate ethical standards were being made in commissioning and contracting.
- 1.2 The purpose of this latest report is to provide a short practical guide on building and embedding ethical standards in an organisation and in setting ethical expectations for the delivery of services and ensuring they are met. Included are some examples used by commissioners to build high standards.
- 1.3 It is presented to this Committee for information.

**2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 To enable the Committee to consider the report.

**3 Consultation and Equality Impact**

- 3.1 N/A

**4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 N/A

## 5 Implications

N/A

## 6 Recommendations

- 6.1 Committee notes the report from the Committee on Standards in Public Life around ethical standards for providers of public services.

## 7 Decision Information

<b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b> (A Key Decision is one which results in income or expenditure to the Council of £50,000 or more or which has a significant impact on two or more District wards)	No
<b>District Wards Affected</b>	N/A
<b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b>	N/A

## 8 Document Information

<b>Appendix No</b>	<b>Title</b>
A	Ethical Standards for the Providers in Public Services
<b>Background Papers</b> (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
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Report Reference –