ANNEX D

Responses to the LGA Consultation on Draft Model Member Code of Conduct

Q1

"To a great extent" since it helps to clarify official capacity

Q2

"No", it is not clear

Q3

"No preference"

Q4

Support each of the 12 obligations "To a great extent"

Q5

Obligation 12 – the Council has a threshold of £25 for the declaration of gifts.

Q6

"As a list", for ease of editing / copying if nothing else – and without a list as an appendix you could be mistaken for thinking the 7 principles of public life are the basis of the code

Q7

"To a moderate extent" - the concept and language of acting with civility seems relevant to the current political environment although perceptions will vary and it will not be easy to assess whether this obligation has been breached (the same applies to the current language of "respect").

Q8

"To a moderate extent" - as with "civility" there may be contested views about what "disrepute" means e.g. a Member being associated with civil disobedience in the name of a particular cause that the Council would ordinarily support...the Code talks about dishonest and deceitful behaviour which is helpful but is that broad enough – and what about Members acting illegally?

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Q9
"To a great extent" Q10
"No"
Q10a
"integrated in the Code"
Q11
"To a moderate extent"
Q12
"In the appendix"
Q13
"To a moderate extent"
Q14
"To a great extent"
Q14a
The Council has a threshold of £25 for the declaration of gifts. Q15
"it should remain at £25
Q16
"1 for all categories" - All categories of guidance would be useful and helpful
Q17

None