NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SUB-GROUP

2 July 2012

Present: Councillor M Stanley in the Chair

Councillors Hayfield, Phillips and Sweet

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Smith

Councillors Barber, Fowler, Fox, Humphreys, Moore, Morson, Pickard and Wykes were also in attendance.

1 Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interests

Any personal interests arising from the membership of Warwickshire County Council of Councillors Hayfield and Sweet and membership of the various Town/Parish Councils of Councillors Phillips (Kingsbury) and M Stanley (Polesworth) were deemed to be declared at this meeting.

2 Member Code of Conduct

The Sub-Group was invited to agree a new Code of Conduct and endorse arrangements for investigating complaints.

Recommended:

- a. That a new Code of Conduct attached at Appendix 1 to the report of the Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council, be adopted;
- b. That the arrangements detailed in the report of the Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council for the investigation of complaints be adopted;
- c. That Mr Orton and Mrs Shilton be appointed as Independent Persons and that further information be sought on the other two applicants:
- d. That the Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council be authorised to make any necessary amendments to Constitutional Standing Orders as a result of adoption of the new Code; and
- e. That the Democratic Arrangements Task and Finish Group be asked to review how the new Code works in practice in six months time.

M Stanley Chairman