

## **Appendix 3**

### Sanctions for Breach of a Local Code of Conduct

Since July 2012, the sanctions available are:

- To censure the Offending Member
- To request the Offending Member to give a written apology in a form determined by the decision-making Body
- To request the Offending Member to undertake such training as may be specified by the decision-making Body
- To request the Offending Member to participate in such conciliation as may be specified by the decision-making Body
- To report the outcome to the Council with recommendations as to limiting the Offending Member's access to Council facilities or resources.
- To advise the Leader of the Political Group to which the Offending Member belongs recommending that they take action.

Note that there is not a definitive list of possible sanctions. The above are generally agreed by practitioners but in addition authorities have sought:

- Financial contributions from Offending Members towards the costs of the process.
- Removal of IT equipment.
- Removal of Ward Budget.
- Removal of Mobile Phone
- Removal of Internet access
- That a Councillor use a Single Point of Contact to correspond with the Council.