

# South Lakeland District Council

## Standards Committee

Tuesday, 23 April 2019

### Protocol between the Monitoring Officers of Cumbria and the Cumbria Constabulary

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<b>Portfolio:</b>	Cllr Matt Severn, Chairman of Standards Committee
<b>Report from:</b>	Monitoring Officer
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<b>Wards:</b>	N/A
<b>Forward Plan:</b>	Not applicable

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#### **1.0 Expected Outcome**

- 1.1 That the Committee note the protocol agreed between the Monitoring Officers of Cumbria and the Cumbria Constabulary for the reporting of potential criminal offences arising from the failure to register or declare disclosable pecuniary interests.

#### **2.0 Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the report be received and the Protocol as attached at Appendix 1 noted**

#### **3.0 Background and Proposals**

- 3.1 The Monitoring Officers within Cumbria have been considering the process for dealing with the reporting of potential criminal offences arising from the failure to register or declare a disclosable pecuniary interest under the code of conduct.
- 3.2 The purpose is to provide clarity when an investigation is undertaken as to what can be expected.
- 3.3 The protocol between the Monitoring Officers of Cumbria and the Cumbria Constabulary as shown at appendix 1 to this report has been discussed collectively and agreed as a standard protocol for operation within Cumbria.

#### **4.0 Consultation**

- 4.1 The Monitoring Officers within Cumbria, including the PCC and National Park Authority MOs, have all been consulted and endorse the attached document.
- 4.2 The nominated point of contact for Cumbria Constabulary has also been consulted and his suggestions incorporated into the document.

#### **5.0 Alternative Options**

- 5.1 There are no alternative options, the report is to note.

#### **6.0 Links to Council Priorities**

- 6.1 Good governance underpins the Council Plan objectives.

## 7.0 Implications

### Financial, Resources and Procurement

7.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### Human Resources

7.2 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

### Legal

7.3 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

### Health, Social, Economic and Environmental

7.4 Have you completed a Health, Social, Economic and Environmental Impact Assessment? No – not applicable for this report

### Equality and Diversity

7.7 Have you completed an Equality Impact Analysis? No – not applicable for this report

### Risk

Risk	Consequence	Controls required
None		

### Contact Officers

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### Appendices Attached to this Report

Appendix No.	Name of Appendix
1	Protocol between the Monitoring Officers of Cumbria and the Cumbria Constabulary

### Background Documents Available

None

### Tracking Information

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Legal Services	28.12.18
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Committee Chairman	28.12.18
Portfolio Holder	N/A
Ward Councillor(s)	N/A
Committee	23.4.18
Executive (Cabinet)	N/A
Council	N/A