

Subject:	Review of Part 9.4 of the Constitution – Extract from the proceedings of the Standards Committee		
Date of Meeting:	22 March 2012		
Report of:	Strategic Director; Resources		
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Wards Affected:	All		

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

**5.00 pm 17 January 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: Lepper, A Norman and Wells

Independent Members: Dr M Wilkinson (Chair), Mr Paul Cecil and Mr Peter Rose

Rottingdean Parish Council Representatives: Mr John Bustard and Mr Geoff Rhodes

Apologies: Councillor Mike Jones (Green Party), Councillor Jason Kitcat (Green Group) and Councillor Leo Littman (Green Group)

PART ONE**24. REVIEW OF PART 9.4 OF THE CONSTITUTION**

- 24.1 The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Director of Resources in relation to the review of part 9.4 of the Council's Constitution guidance to Members and Officers serving on outside bodies. The Senior Lawyer, Oliver Dixon, explained that the report recommended the Committee agree a proposed set of amendments. Part 9.4 of the Constitution provided guidance to Members and Officers, and it was highlighted there had been recent regulatory changes which had created the necessity for an update; particularly in relation to directors' duties, bribery and indemnity.
- 24.2 Councillor Lepper said that many Members sat on outside bodies which they were not appointed to by the Council, and the Senior Lawyer clarified that the revised guidance would reflect and cover this.
- 24.3 The Head of Law and Monitoring Officer also noted that the guidance could be adopted, or used as an informative, by Rottingdean Parish Council.
- 24.4 **RESOLVED** – That the Committee agrees the amended version of Part 9.4 of the Councils Constitution, as set out at Appendix 1, and recommends it to the Governance Committee for consideration and Council for approval.

