### LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN

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### REPORT TITLE

Standards Information and Guidance Record

### **REPORT OF**

**Borough Solicitor** 

### FOR SUBMISSION TO

**Standards Committee** 

DATE

7 July 2025

### SUMMARY OF REPORT

This report sets out the record of standards information and guidance issued to Members of the Council.

#### Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information

Various emails to councillors as detailed in the appendix to the report.

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That Standards Committee notes the record of standards guidance.

Signed:

**Borough Solicitor** 

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Date: 25 June 2025

## 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The Standards Committee has a remit to promote standards amongst Members of the Council. As a result it undertakes to regularly update and review guidance issued to Members in line with one of its terms of reference:
  - "Agreeing guidance for councillors on matters related to conduct to be distributed to them and when they deem it appropriate included as part of the constitutional guidance".
- 1.2. The Committee has agreed to maintain a record of when guidance has been updated and/or issued to Members and for that record to be shared with the Committee as a standing item in lieu of a work plan (Appendix A).

## 2. Changes to the Record

- 1.3. At its meeting in October 2024, the Committee agreed to revise the Register of Interests form and guidance to explicitly draw a distinction between the interests of the councillor and relevant others through the use of separate columns. The revised form and guidance was circulated to all Members and co-opted Members following the meeting, with the online registers updated.
- 1.4. In March 2025, information regarding the Council's obligations to declare related party transactions and the need to check and update registers of interest where necessary was circulated to councillors.
- 1.5. On 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025, Members were reminded to have registered any gifts and hospitality for the 2024/25 municipal year by 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025, after which any registers without declared gifts or hospitality would be updated to state 'No gifts or hospitality declared for the 2024/25 municipal year'.

### 3. Forthcoming Guidance

- 1.6. There is currently no guidance scheduled to be issued, other than as a result of other reports before the Committee.
- 1.7. The Committee is invited to suggest any areas where guidance might be reviewed by the Committee at a future meeting or reissued to Members now. Any further comments on the form and content of the record are also welcome.

### 4. Finance Comments of the Executive Director Corporate Services

1.8. There are no financial impacts resulting from this report.

### 5. Legal Comments of the Borough Solicitor

1.9. This is a report of the Borough Solicitor and there are no other legal comments.

# 6. Environmental Implications

1.10. There are no environmental impacts.

# 7. Appendices

Appendix A: Record of guidance and advice on standards and conduct issued to councillors

**REPORT ENDS**