

LEWISHAM SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD
Code of Conduct (draft November 2013)

Lewisham Safer Neighbourhood Board Members will

1. Take an active interest in the work of the Board, upholding its values and policies, and by their actions enhance the Board's reputation and good standing and refrain from conduct that brings it into disrepute
2. Members should familiarise themselves with the 'Nolan Principles' ^a, and act in accordance with them. They will behave ethically and pursue activities with honesty, integrity and competence, as well as treat everyone with respect on the basis of principles of diversity and inclusion;
3. Commit to being open and accountable to those with a stake or interest in the Board and maintain good relationships with other board members, volunteers, advisors and other people and groups connected to the Board.
4. Avoid situations where personal interests conflict with their duty to the Board, disclose any personal interest to the Board which might be seen to influence decisions and not make improper use nor seek personal advantage from information acquired through Board membership.
5. Be clear about when they are authorised to speak on behalf of the Board and recognise that any information of a confidential nature must remain so outside the confines of the board's meeting
6. Actively contribute to the work of the board by regularly attending meetings and preparing and participating in discussion and decision-making and, if requiring assistance and advice in order to be able to make the most appropriate decision, will seek it from an appropriate source and consider it carefully.
7. Inform the Board should they feel they require further guidance or training in their role and liaison with the Chair to develop opportunities for new training on an individual or group basis.
8. Members are jointly liable for their decisions, therefore decisions should be taken together, as a team, recorded accurately, and communicated to volunteers, members, beneficiaries and funders in a unified manner.

- a** Further information about the Nolan Principles of Public Life are widely available on the internet e.g. the government's Official Document Archive which is online at <http://www.archive.official-documents.co.uk/document/parlment/nolan/nolan.htm>

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