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### **Agenda Item 7iii: Statutory Business: To carry out the annual review of the Council's Policies and Procedures**

Background:

- a) The Parish Council has a comprehensive suite of policies that have been adopted to ensure that the Parish Council discharges its duties and powers in accordance with statute. Whilst the overarching documents are the Council's own Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, these further documents give further clarity to the internal rules, practical arrangements and processes which are essential to those who form and work for the council.
- b) It is suggested that the full council carries out an annual review of its governing documents. It is also suggested that resolutions adopting governing documents (or amending them) be phrased in terms of continuing to have effect until superseded by new or amended arrangements. In a year in which no changes are to be made, it would be appropriate to record in the minutes that a review was carried out, in order to demonstrate that the council was continuing to review its governing arrangements.
- c) In accordance with good practices, council should ensure that where changes are to be applied, these are noted with each policy being deemed to be fit for purpose and confirmation that they will be adhered to.

**Agenda Item 7iii** - The policies listed below can be found at:

<https://lindseyparishcouncil.gov.uk/parish-council/policies-and-procedures/>

**Recommendation: Council reviews and adopts the policies as listed below with a review date of January 2026 thereby confirming that they are updated, fit for purpose and that it agrees to adhere to them as written:**

- Complaints Procedure
- Data and Electronic Information Retention Policy
- Data and Information Security Policy
- Disciplinary Rules
- Dispensation Policy
- Freedom of Information Policy and Procedures
- Grant Awarding Policy
- Grievance and Disciplinary Procedure
- Health and Safety Policy
- Internet Banking Policy and Procedure
- IT Policy
- Privacy Policy
- Reimbursement of Expenses Procedure
- Reserve Policy
- Subject Access Policy
- Training Policy