# CRANSLEY PARISH COUNCIL RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY

### STANDING ORDERS

The Council will abide by the model 'Standing Orders' as set out by the Society of Local Council Clerks

# FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

The Council will follow the regulations as set out in NALC Practitioners Guide 2003. Main areas of control:-

- 1. Cllrs. will not sign blank cheques, two Cllrs. and clerk to sign each cheque.
- 2. All payments to be agreed by CPC and recorded in the minutes.
- 3. Petty cash to be provided by cheque for the clerk and record of expenses and receipts kept.
- 4. The Clerk is the Responsible Financial Officer and will keep the accounts in a manner ensuring correct records are in accordance with the requirements of the Internal & External Auditors.
- 5. A member of the Council will act as an Internal Auditor for the Council and will inspect a half yearly audit as provided by the Clerk.
- 6. An Independent Internal Auditor will be appointed by NALC and the Council will take note of any recommendations to ensure correct standards of accounting are maintained.
- 7. Any comments or suggestions by the external Auditor will be adhered to.
- 8. The accounts will be available for public inspection.
- 9. The Council will obtain where possible at least two quotations for items where cost is expected to be more than £250.
- 10. Northants. CALC. CPC continues to comply with the Internal Audit Service terms of reference
- 11. The web site will be updated as required for audit purposes and general items

#### **INSURANCE**

The Council will review the policy before it is renewed to ensure adequate cover is maintained. New items will be insured at the time of purchase.

## ASSET REGISTER

The Clerk will maintain an assets register.

# PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllrs will endeavour to work as a team and be aware of their responsibilities as to the law and proper procedures. They will attend meetings regularly.

They will endeavour to comply with:-

- 1. The Model Code of conduct.
- 2. Matters relating to the Register of Interests
- 3. Freedom of Information Act
- 4. Race Discrimination Act
- 5. Disability Discrimination Act

## REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Cllrs agree to declare any interest on any subject which may give them a personal or financial advantage and consequently leave the table before any discussion or voting takes place.

#### **PROPERTY**

Cllrs from time to time will inspect any property owned by the Council to monitor the state of repair and ensure any property is kept in a safe condition.

## **DOCUMENTS ETC**

The clerk will keep hard copies of appropriate documents for the recommended time, and computer items will be backed up at approx weekly intervals.

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