



INTEGRITY IN PUBLIC LIFE

DISPENSATION

EDINBURGH AND SOUTH EAST SCOTLAND REGION JOINT COMMITTEE

The Standards Commission has decided to grant a specific dispensation under the Councillors' Code of Conduct to the elected members, and any substitute elected members, who have been appointed by the City of Edinburgh, East Lothian, Fife, Midlothian, Scottish Borders and West Lothian Councils to be members or substitute members of the Edinburgh and South East Scotland Region Joint Committee. This is so the appointed elected members and substitute elected members, as voting members of the Joint Committee, do not have to remove themselves from the debate and any voting when any discussions on the City Region Deal, its projects and funding, and/or recommendations from the Joint Committee come before them at relevant Council meetings. The elected members and substitute elected members can participate in discussions and voting on such matters.

Elected members and substitute elected members would still be required to declare interests, in terms of Section 5 of the Code of Conduct. Please also note that this dispensation does not apply to matters of a quasi-judicial or regulatory nature.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lorna Johnston". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and date.

LORNA JOHNSTON
Executive Director
29 May 2018