

## **Council Members' Liability**

### **Executive Summary and Recommendations**

#### **Introduction**

Individual Council members have questioned their own personal liability when acting for the HPC or in their roles as members of the Council or committees.

A paper has been drawn up jointly by the external auditors, BDO Stoy Hayward, and our solicitors, Bircham Dyson Bell, which sets out details of liability, how personal liability can exist, indemnity, discharging personal liability and protecting against personal liability.

#### **Decision**

The Council is asked to agree the following:

**That the Council approves the paper "The Liability of Council Members" and authorises the Executive to include it in the Information Pack.**

#### **Background**

None

#### **Resource Implications**

None

#### **Financial Implications**

None

#### **Background Papers**

See attached paper "The Liability of Council Members".

#### **Appendices**

None

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