



Code of Conduct – Nolan Principles

Councillors are required to adhere to an agreed code of conduct. Bottisham Parish Council has a set Code of Conduct which can be found on our website. These are all based upon the 7 'Nolan Principles' which guide ethical standards across public life and apply to anyone who works as a public office holder. This includes all those elected or appointed to public office, nationally or locally, and everyone working in the civil service, local government, the police, courts and probation services, non-departmental public bodies and in the health, education and social care sectors.

All councils are required to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by councillors, but individual councillors must also take responsibility.

Councillors roles and responsibilities can be found on the Bottisham Parish Council website. Register of Interests for each councillor can be viewed on the East Cambridgeshire District Council website.

Selflessness	Holders of public office should act solely in terms of the public interest.
Integrity	Holders of public office must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.
Objectivity	Holders of public office must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias.
Accountability	Holders of public office are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this.
Openness	Holders of public office should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for doing so.
Honesty	Holders of public office should be truthful.
Leadership	Holders of public office should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs.

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