

GCCG Committee

Code of Conduct

Members of the Committee should observe the *Nolan principles of public life, i.e, **selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership** to secure good governance and protect the reputation of the GCCG.

In the GCCG context these are set out as follows:

- Declare any relevant interests
- Abide by the Constitution and protect the GCCG's good name
- Observe confidentiality in matters concerning individual members
- Represent only agreed policy in public
- Not commit any act which may constitute misconduct, including;
 - physical assault
 - theft, misappropriation or unauthorised destruction of GCCG property
 - serious infringement of safety rules or negligence causing unacceptable loss or injury
 - supplying security access codes to any unauthorised person
 - unauthorised disclosure or misuse of trust of a serious nature
 - making malicious or unfounded allegations of a serious nature
 - falsification of any documents or claims for expenses or reimbursement
 - misconduct of a serious nature bringing the GCCG into disrepute
 - unlawful or inappropriate discrimination
 - harassment of a serious nature
 - persistent alcohol or drug abuse that impacts on others

These would also apply to members acting on behalf of the GCCG, such as an Area Organiser, their deputy or nominee, and depending on circumstances potentially to all members.

The Committee would consider any allegation made and take a decision only after investigation and considering written representations from the member concerned.

**The Nolan principles are a set of ethical standards established by government focusing on behaviour and culture aimed at public bodies, charities and voluntary organisations.*

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