

# **National Council**

## **Access to meeting recordings protocol.**

### **Introduction**

At the December 2021 National Council meeting Peter Charters (Berkshire) proposed that recordings of National Council meetings should be available to councillors when necessary. The proposal arose from sound issues at the previous meetings but it was recognised that it might also apply in other circumstances.

In discussion it was agreed that councillors should be able to have access to a recording for their personal use but that Council meetings were not public meetings so the arrangement should be on condition of confidentiality. As Council Chair I was asked to draft a protocol for this.

### **Protocol**

A councillor may make a request to the Council Chair for access to a specific recording including the reasoning for the request. The request must be accompanied by an undertaking that the recording will not be kept permanently or be made available to anyone else. If the request meets the criteria the Council Chair will forward it to the office who will send the councillor a link with a password.

Note 1: The minutes of National Council meetings are available in the National Council section of website and there is no restriction on who may have access to them.

Note 2: Under clause 3.1.4 of the Disciplinary Regulations failing to comply with a written undertaking to TTE is a disciplinary breach.

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