

ROLE OF INDEPENDENT PERSON PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Responsible to: The Authority

Liaison with: Monitoring Officer, Deputy Monitoring Officer, Members of the Authority, officers, the Chair of the Authority.

1. To assist the Authority in promoting high standards of conduct by elected, appointed and co-opted Members of the Authority and in particular to uphold the Code of Conduct adopted by the Authority and the seven principles of public office, namely selflessness, honesty, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness and leadership.
2. To be consulted by the Authority through the Monitoring Officer and/or the relevant Committee before it makes a decision on an investigated allegation and to be available to attend meetings of the Hearing Panel of the relevant Committee for this purpose.
3. To be available for consultation by the Monitoring Officer and/or the relevant Committee before a decision is taken as to whether to investigate a complaint or to seek local resolution of the same.
4. To be available for consultation by any Member who is the subject of a standards complaint.
5. To develop a sound understanding of the ethical framework as it operates within the Authority.
6. To participate in training events to develop skills, knowledge and experience and in networks developed for Independent Persons operating outside the Authority's area.
7. To attend training events organised and promoted by the Authority'.
8. To act as advocate and ambassador for the Authority in promoting ethical behaviour.
9. To participate as an Independent Person in any Disciplinary Panel set up to make recommendations on any disciplinary actions in respect of a Chief Officer as defined in part 5 of the Authority's Standing Orders.