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COVINGHAM
PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Vicki

As per your email re the annual review of SBC's Code and Protocols, Covingham Parish Council agreed at its meeting on Monday 7th January 2019 that they would like to make the following comments. Whilst it was acknowledged these were previously sufficient, they do not reflect the Transfer of Responsibilities to Parish Councils that took place with effect from 1 April 2017. In our opinion we believe that there should be a formal requirement that Members fully consult with the relevant Parish Council on anything that will have a direct impact on the area now the day to day responsibility of others. It is unacceptable that decisions can be made without any regard or respect being shown to the Parish Council that has taken over responsibility to provide the additional services. As Parish Councils have signed a formal Deed of Transfer accepting the additional responsibilities, Members should be required to ensure that any decisions that they may wish to make will be in keeping with current plans and not have a negative impact on those that are now providing the services.

Yours sincerely

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