

# WITHAM FOURTH DISTRICT INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

## Anti-Bribery Policy

### INTRODUCTION

The Bribery Act came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 and is intended to modernise the law on bribery. Bribery can be defined as giving someone a financial or other advantage to encourage that person to perform their functions or activities improperly or to reward that person for having already done so.

This Policy is intended to supplement the Board's Fraud and Corruption Policy.

### POLICY

The Board:

- Take a zero tolerance approach to bribery. **Offering or accepting a bribe is not acceptable in any circumstances.**
- Are committed to acting professionally, fairly, ethically and with integrity in all business dealings and relationships.
- Are committed to implementing and enforcing effective systems to counter bribery.

The Board Prohibit:

**The offering, giving or acceptance of any bribe, whether cash or other inducement to any person or company by any individual employee, agent or other person or body acting on the Boards' behalf in order to gain any personal advantage, for the individual or anyone connected with the individual.**

Should an employee be found in breach of this policy, normal disciplinary procedures would be followed.