

Standards Committee

Summary of Complaints under the Code of Conduct

6 July 2023

Report of the Monitoring Officer

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report advises the committee about the progress of current complaints and any others received since the last report in July 2021.

This Report is public however Appendix 1 is exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 1 of, of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972.

RECOMMENDATION

(1) That the Committee notes the report.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1** The Monitoring Officer provides a regular report to the Committee summarising the progress on current complaints under the code of conduct.
- 1.2** In October 2012, the Committee resolved that reports to this Committee about complaints should be exempt from publication but should identify the subject members of the complaints, for the Committee's information.
- 1.3** However, Council has resolved that all members of the Council should have access to all exempt reports, background papers and minutes, save where the report, background paper or minutes relates to an individual officer (other than an Chief Executive or Chief officers), an individual member of the Council or and individual third party, or where the member seeking to attend has a disclosable pecuniary interest or other interest within paragraph 12 (1) of section 2 of part b of the code of conduct, in the item of business.
- 1.4** Although not specifically articulated above, Appendix 1 of this report remains exempt by virtue of the restriction relating to individual members of the Council and third party information clause as set out above.

2.0 Proposal Details

2.1 A summary of complaints is attached

3.0 Details of Consultation

3.1 None

RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK None	
CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, HR, Sustainability and Rural Proofing): None	
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS None, although consideration must always be given to proportionality and the lawful interference with the right to private and family life.	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS None	
OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS, such as Human Resources, Information Services, Property, Open Spaces: None	
SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS None	
MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS This report has been compiled by the Monitoring Officer.	
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