
MEETING	STANDARDS COMMITTEE ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE	24 NOVEMBER 2011
PRESENT	MR DIXON (INDEPENDENT MEMBER, IN THE CHAIR) COUNCILLOR CRAWFORD (PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER) COUNCILLOR TAYLOR (CYC MEMBER)

5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda. No interests were declared.

6. **COMPLAINT AGAINST MEMBERS OF CITY OF YORK COUNCIL**

The Sub-Committee considered a complaint made against 25 members of City of York Council.

It was alleged that the subject members had failed to register and subsequently declare donations made by the Labour party and UNISON towards their election expenses, in breach of paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Code of Conduct.

Having considered the evidence provided in support of the complaint, and the additional information provided at the meeting by the Monitoring Officer, it was

RESOLVED: (i) That, in respect of the allegation that 11 of the subject members had failed to record a donation from the Labour Party towards their election expenses, the matter be referred to the Monitoring Officer for 'Alternative Action.'

REASON: The Sub-Committee considers that, although the evidence indicates a potential breach of the Code, the breach is too minor to justify the time and expense of an investigation.

(ii) That, in respect of the allegations that 22 of the subject members had failed to record and subsequently declare a donation from UNISON towards their election expenses, no further action be taken.

REASON: The Sub-Committee considers that the evidence does not indicate a breach of the Code, as the donation was to the Labour Party and not to the individual subject members.

A Dixon, Chair

[The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.40 pm].