

Joint Standards Committee

20 April 2022

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Monitoring Report in respect of Complaints Received

Summary

1. This report is to update the Committee on the position regarding ongoing complaints.

Background

2. The table attached at Annex A provides information about ongoing complaints and the table attached at Annex B provides the list of closed complaints.
3. Case references 739, 740, 741, 2021/06 and 2021/11 have now been investigated. They are being referred for a hearing, which has been arranged for 20th April 2022.
4. A hearing took place on 8th March 2022 for case references 2020/17, 2021/08 and 2021/09 after a breach of the code of conduct was found by the investigating officers. The Panel imposed sanctions and a decision notice was published.
5. Case reference 2021/13 is currently under investigation. So too is 2021/17.
6. Case reference 2021/20 was considered by an assessment subcommittee on 13 January 2022 and the matter has been referred for investigation.
7. Case reference 2022/03 and 2022/04 are currently being assessed as regards what if any further action should be taken.

Implications

Financial

8. Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

9. Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

10. Maintaining standards across the City through the Code of Conduct ensures that an ethical framework can be adhered to, including ensuring that equality issues form an integral part of that framework.

Legal

11. As detailed within the report.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

12. Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

13. That the Joint Standards Committee notes the report, in order to ensure that the Committee is aware of the current levels of activity and is able to provide oversight of the complaints procedure.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s):

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

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Annexes:

- Annex A – Table showing open complaints received.
- Annex B – Table showing closed complaints received.