

Joint Standards Committee

31 March 2021

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Monitoring Report in respect of Complaints Received

Summary

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

Background

The table attached at Annex A provides information about ongoing complaints.

Case references 739, 740 and 741 are now progressing as the outcome of investigations into the conduct by another party have now been concluded. A Joint Standards Assessment Sub Committee is due to be formed in order to conclude the assessment stage. Members of the Sub Committee will also be asked to consider reference 2021/06 which relates to the same Subject Member.

Case references 2020/04, 2020/13, 2020/14, 2020/15, 2020/18 and 2021/01 have all now been investigated and the draft report is with the parties, or comments from the parties are being considered before the draft report can be submitted to the Monitoring Officer. In the case of 2020/10, the draft report will be considered by the Joint Standards Assessment Sub Committee who determined that the matter be passed for investigation in 2020. Case 2020/18 will also be considered by a Sub Committee due to the comments raised by the complainant in the matter.

Case references 2020/12, 202017, 2020/19, 2020/20 and 2021/03 are all still under investigation.

Case reference 2021/02 and 2021/05 have been assessed and no further action is to be taken, therefore, these matters are now closed.

Case reference 2020/04 is currently being assessed.

Implications

Financial

Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

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

As detailed within the report.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

1. 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): None

Wards Affected: All $\sqrt{}$

For further information please contact the author of the report Background Papers:

- Annex A Table showing complaints received.
- Annex B Exempt