

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Monitoring Report on Complaints Received

Summary

1. This report updates the Committee on current complaints.
2. Since the Committee last met in August two complaints have been received, both of which relate to Parish Councillors. One of these cases, on the worst interpretation, disclosed only a minor potential breach of the code and was not referred for investigation. The Monitoring Officer is currently exploring whether the second may be suitable for informal resolution.
3. At the last meeting Members were advised of four cases which were yet to be concluded. Of these:

One case was resolved by informal action following an investigation

One investigation resulting in a finding that the code had not been breached. Informal advice was though offered by the Monitoring Officer.

One hearing resulting in a finding that twelve Parish Councillors and one former Parish Councillor had breached their Council's code of conduct

One investigator's report is currently with the Deputy Monitoring Officer for consideration.

4. Two cases are therefore currently active.

Recommendations

5. Members are recommended to:
 - 1) Note the report

Reason: To ensure that the Committee is aware of current levels of activity.

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

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Background Papers:

None