The Subject Member's Right to Consult an Independent Person – Guidance Notes

At paragraph three of the Procedure for Considering Complaints That Members Have Breached the Code of Conduct, the subject member has a right to consult, through the Monitoring Officer (MO), one of the Independent Persons (IP) appointed by the Council.

You have exercised this right and that is why we are meeting today.

You can expect me to provide you with on-going support. I will not make a judgement on the complaint made about you but I will advise you on the procedure for considering complaints and can assist you in finding a resolution to this matter.

I will make a written record of any conversations with you, that both of us agree to be a correct record.

The MO has made meaware that I may be interviewed by the police if the complaint is referred to them.