



**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**  
**2 November 2021**

**ITEM 5**

Report sponsor: Director of Legal, Procurement and Democratic Services and Monitoring Officer  
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## **Volume and Outcomes of Councillor Complaints 2021/22**

### **Purpose**

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with an update on the volume and outcomes of Councillor complaints dealt with in the 2021/22 municipal year.

### **Recommendation**

- 2.1 To note the volume and outcome of Councillor complaints as outlined in the report.

### **Reason**

- 3.1 To update the Standards Committee on the volume and outcomes of Councillor complaints carried over from the 2019/20 municipal year and the 2020/21 municipal year and those received in the 2021/22 municipal year.

### **Supporting information**

- 4.1 One complaint was carried over from the 2019/20 municipal year, proceeded to investigation and was informally resolved by way of an apology to a meeting of the Licensing Committee.
- 4.2 One complaint was carried over from the 2020/21 municipal year and was dismissed.
- 4.3 Six complaints have been received in the 2021/22 municipal year. Two complaints have been dismissed, one complaint has proceeded to investigation and three are still live.
- 4.4 The Councillors' Code of Conduct and the Procedures for the assessment and review of allegations of breaches of the Councillors' Code of Conduct are attached at Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.

### **Public/stakeholder engagement**

- 5.1 None.

## Other options

6.1 To take no action.

## Financial and value for money issues

7.1 None.

## Legal implications

8.1 None.

## Climate implications

9.1 None.

## Other significant implications

10.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following people:

Role	Name	Date of sign-off
Legal Finance Service Director(s) Report sponsor Other(s)	Alex Hough – Head of Democracy	25/10/2021
Background papers: List of appendices:	None Appendix 1 - Councillors' Code of Conduct Appendix 2 - Procedures for the assessment and review of allegations of breaches of the Councillors' Code of Conduct	