



STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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ITEM 7

Report sponsor: Director of Legal, Procurement and Democratic Services
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Summary of Progress with Councillor Complaints 2019/20 and 2020/21

Purpose

- 1.1 One complaint was carried over from the 2018/19 municipal year to 2019/20. This complaint was dismissed. For a summary of this complaint, see confidential report later on the agenda.
- 1.2 Nine complaints were received in the 2019/20 municipal year. Four complaints were dismissed, one complaint was resolved through an informal resolution and four complaints are still live and have been carried over to the 2020/21 municipal year. For a summary of each of these complaints, see confidential report later on the agenda.
- 1.3 One complaint has been received in the 2020/21 municipal year. For a summary of this complaint, see confidential report later on the agenda.

Recommendation

- 2.1 To note the information contained in the report.

Reason

- 3.1 To update the Standards Committee on the progress and outcomes of Councillor complaints considered in both the 2019/20 and 2020/21 municipal years.

Supporting information

- 4.1 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 3 and 4 respectively of item 5.

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.

Other significant implications

9.1 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)	Emily Feenan - Director of Legal, Procurement and Democratic Services	29/06/2020
Background papers:	Councillors' Code of Conduct and the Procedures for the assessment and review of allegations of breaches of the Councillors' Code of Conduct- See Item 5	
List of appendices:	Appendix 1- Complaints carried over from the 2018/19 municipal year – see confidential report later on the agenda Appendix 2- Complaints received in the 2019/20 municipal year – see confidential report later on the agenda Appendix 3- Complaints received in the 2020/21 municipal year – see confidential report later on the agenda	