

## Appendix 2: Code of Conduct Complaints – Update as at 21 May 2019

Ref No:	Subject Member	Date received and complainant	Allegations	Paragraphs of Code	Date of Decision Notice	Outcome/Status
COM 196, 198, 205-206	Parish	COM 196 26 September 2018, COM 198 2 October 2018, COM 205 30 October 2018 COM 206 5 November 2018 Members of the public	<p>The Complainants complain about the disrespectful and aggressive behaviour of the Councillor towards them when questioning issues around the maintenance of the old recreation ground and the emptying of the bins on the field. Complainant COM 198 alleges that the Councillor blamed him for the state of the field, potentially damaging the reputation of his business.</p> <p>The complaint amounts to an allegation that the Councillor has failed to behave in a manner that a reasonable person would regard as respectful, contrary to paragraph 1 of the Code of Conduct, and that their behaviour was bullying and intimidatory, contrary to paragraph 2. In respect of COM 198 it is alleged that the Councillor has sought to convey a disadvantage on a person, contrary to paragraph 3.</p>	1, 2, 3	25 March 2019	No Further Action. The Member resigned as Chair and as a Councillor. The alternative options were considered and discounted on the basis that the Councillor resigned from Office and it would be disproportionate to recommend a full investigation. A resignation from Office was more than any sanction which can be imposed under the current standards regime.
COM 199	County	9 October 2018 Member of the public	The Complainant says that on Tuesday 2 October 2018, she was a passenger in a car trying to find a parking space. She says she witnessed the Councillor in a state of agitation, walking out into the road and sometimes gesticulating. The driver of the car she was in then parked near the junction, at which point the Councillor approached the vehicle and indicated to the driver to wind down the window. The Councillor then said that residents had been complaining about inconsiderate parking, and proceeded to berate the driver, asking that the	4.3(b), 4.3(j)	29 April 2019	No Further Action. The Member campaigned on behalf of residents for improvement works to enhance safety at this junction which resulted in the installation of the "Keep Clear" road markings. It was recognised by both the Complainant and the Member that the Member

			<p>car be moved, and threatening to take photographs and to report the driver to the police.</p> <p>The Complainant considers that the Councillor attempted to give the appearance of having power over parking enforcement matters by reason of being a Councillor, and considers that this is disrespectful and disreputable. The complainant considers that it is inappropriate for a Councillor to be standing on street corners, berating members of the public, acting strangely and making threats.</p> <p>The complaint amounts to an allegation that the Councillor has not dealt with the complaints from residents fairly, appropriately or impartially, contrary to paragraph 4.3(b) of the DCC Members' Code of Conduct, and has failed to treat people with respect, contrary to paragraph 4.3(j).</p>			<p>would have no authority to deal with enforcement for parking and such action would be reported to the relevant authority. The Member was not attempting to carry out enforcement for parking but instead carrying out observations and highlight to drivers the new road markings. The action of carrying out the observations alone without the support of the relevant authority could be considered misguided however this was not conduct contrary to the code.</p>
COM 200	Parish	15 October 2018 Parish Councillor	<p>The Complainant states that the Councillor instructed an Officer of Durham County Council to remove rocks from three areas of the village. The Complainant says that this work has not been tabled or minuted at any recent Parish Council meeting, and that the Councillor has recently asked the Clerk to place it on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council, after the work was authorised, and started and completed in two locations.</p> <p>It is alleged that this is the second time that the Councillor has made a decision when the placement of a rubbish bin was done without a Council decision.</p> <p>The complaint amounts to an allegation that the Councillor has behaved in such a manner that</p>	3		<p>As at 21.05.2019 - Under consideration by Governance Solicitor with consultation with CDALC.</p>

			could be regarded as likely to bring the Council into disrepute, contrary to paragraph 3 of the Code of Conduct.			
COM 202	2 Parish	15 October 2018 Parish Councillor	The Complainant alleges that the Councillor failed to declare an interest at a meeting in a matter which related to a Partnership of which he was a Director.	1, 2, 11-15	12 December 2018	Referred for Investigation
COM 203	Town	15 October 2018 Town Councillor	<p>The Complainant says that at a Committee of the Town Council on 21 May 2018 the Councillor made defamatory statements against her and was upset by the bullying and intimidating manner the Councillor used in front of other Councillors and members of the public, without apology.</p> <p>The Councillor had also authorised the felling of a tree without Council approval.</p> <p>The complaint amounts to an allegation that the Councillor has breached paragraphs 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 of the Code of Conduct, which are respectively the respect and bullying/intimidation provisions, and has behaved in such a manner that could be regarded as likely to bring the Council into disrepute, contrary to paragraph 4.1.3.</p>	4.11, 4.12, 4.13		As at 21.05.2019 - Currently being considered by Governance Solicitor.
COM 204, 208 and 210	Parish	<p>COM 204 15 October 2018</p> <p>COM 208 8 November 2018</p> <p>COM 210 13 November 2018</p> <p>Members of the public</p>	<p>The Complainants allege that the Councillor:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) tries to influence decisions of the Allotment Association by using their position as a Parish Councillor;</li> <li>2) persuaded the local PCSO to issue Harassment Orders to the members of the Allotment Association which were then revoked.</li> <li>3) tried to have the complainants evicted from the Allotment Association;</li> <li>4) circulated details of a spent criminal</li> </ol>	1, 2, 4, 6	10 December 2018	<p>Referred for Investigation.</p> <p>As at 20.05.2019 for the purposes of the update for the Standards Committee on 07.06.2019 further information has been disclosed relating to the complaints.</p>

			<p>conviction of one of the complainants around the village.</p> <p>The allegations amount to a breach of paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Code of Conduct which are the respect and bullying/intimidation provisions, and also 4 and 6, that the Councillor has disclosed information prohibited by law and has sought to improperly confer a disadvantage on the complainants.</p>			
COM 211-213	Town	13 November 2018 Members of the public	<p>The Complainants complain about the conduct of the Councillor at 'The Lighting of the Beacon of Hope Service' as part of Remembrance Day activities on 11 November 2018. The Complainants allege that the Councillor was under the influence of alcohol, showed no respect throughout the service and could not fulfil his duties as part of the Order of Service.</p> <p>The complaints amount to an allegation that the Councillor has failed to behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful, contrary to paragraph 1 of the Code of Conduct, and has behaved in a manner which could be regarded as bringing the Council, or office as a member of the Council into disrepute, contrary to paragraph 6.</p>	1, 6	3 January 2019	Referred for Investigation – COM 223 to be considered as part of this.
COM 216 – 217 COM 219-220	2 Town	22 November 2018 Town Councillor	<p>COM 216-217</p> <p>The Complainants advises that on 22 October 2018 a post was made on a public Facebook page by one of the subject Councillors. This post was a screenshot of a private and confidential e-mail that one of the Complainants had previously sent to one of the subject Councillors as a member of the same group where he had mentioned in full confidence that he was considering resigning from the group. It is alleged that the post was edited in such a way</p>	1, 5, 6	29 April 2019	<p>No Further Action.</p> <p>In respect of the first Councillor who shared the post, it was considered that it was reasonable for him to do so to a limited number of colleagues in case of the Councillor's resignation. Spennymoor Town Council's Code of</p>

			<p>that the context of the original e-mail was also misrepresented.</p> <p>The complaint states that this post was made without the knowledge or permission of the Complainant, and as such has caused undue stress to him and his family which ultimately resulted in his resignation from the group.</p> <p>The complaints amount to an allegation that the Councillors have breached paragraphs 1 of the Code of Conduct (respect provision), paragraph 5 as they have shared confidential information about the complainant, and paragraph 6 as they have not complied with the Council's policies and procedures (ie the social media policy).</p>			<p>Conduct does not apply where Councillors are acting within a political group setting rather than conducting Council business.</p> <p>In respect of the second Councillor his conduct may not have reached the required standards, however it was acknowledged that he had apologised regarding his conduct and had received further training in respect of the Code of Conduct.</p>
COM 222	Parish	2 January 2019 County/Parish Councillor	<p>It is alleged that at the Parish Council meeting on 20 December 2018, there was a disagreement between the Complainant and the subject Councillor about the provision of a defibrillator. It is alleged that the Chairperson had been subject to "quite a tirade of abuse from the Councillor". The Complainant returned to his car and the Councillor opened the door of his own car and shouted at him that the Complainant had tried to humiliate him in the Council, and he had better watch himself because he would be watching every move he made. The Complainant asked "is that a threat" to which the Councillor replied "no it isn't but I will be watching you".</p> <p>The allegations relate to a potential breach of: Paragraph 1 – He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful. Paragraph 2 – He/she shall not behave in a way that a reasonable person would regard as</p>	1 and 2		As at 21.05.2019 - Currently being considered by the Governance Solicitor – with COM 225

			bullying or intimidatory			
COM 223	Town	9 January 2019 Town Councillor	<p>It is alleged that on 4 January 2019 the Complainant received a call from the Councillor demanding that she inform him of the outcome of a Sub-Committee meeting she had attended on 19 December 2018 which the Complainant says she could not do because it related to the personal information of an individual. The Councillor was verbally aggressive implying that she was stupid and the Complainant considers the Councillor's behaviour was a clear example of male to female bullying.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a potential breach of: Paragraph 1 – He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful. Paragraph 2 – He/she shall not behave in a way that a reasonable person would regard as bullying or intimidatory</p>	1 and 2	6 February 2019	Referred for Investigation – to be considered with COM 211-213
COM 225	Parish	16 January 2019 Parish Councillor	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. At the Parish Council meeting on 20 December 2018, the Police provided an update on anti-social behaviour issues in the area. It is alleged that the Councillor stated in an aggressive and negative manner that he had no faith in the Police.</li> <li>2. The vacancy of a Parish Councillor was discussed at the meeting on 20 December 2018 and the Complainant states that the appointment did not appear welcomed by the Councillor which was observed when the purchase of a defibrillator was discussed. The subject Councillor posted a comment on his Facebook page relating to the defibrillator which the Complainant found to be untrue and misleading.</li> </ol>	1 and 3		As at 21.05.2019 - Under consideration by the Governance Solicitor.

			<p>3. At the meeting on 20 December 2018 a funding request was considered from a local organisation. It is alleged that the Councillor aggressively questioned a representative from that organisation.</p> <p>4. During a confidential item, it is alleged that the Councillor angrily expressed his annoyance with the decision to seek advice in preference of his proposed course of action. It is alleged that the Councillor made personal accusations against the Complainant, and referred to an apparent conflict of interest on this subject.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a potential breach of: Paragraph 1 – He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful. Paragraph 3 – He/she shall not behave in a manner that could be regarded as likely to bring the Council or office as a member of the Council into disrepute.</p>			
COM 226, 227, 232 and 235	Parish	<p>COM 226 22 January 2019 Member of the public</p> <p>COM 227 23 January 2019 Parish Councillor</p> <p>COM 232 5 February 2019 Member of the public</p> <p>COM 235 14 February 2019 Member of the public</p>	<p>The complaints are considered collectively which relate to alleged incidents at the Market Place in Durham on 19 January 2019 during peaceful protest.</p> <p><u>COM 226</u> The Complainant states the Councillor was aggressive inferring that she was stupid, he was a Parish Councillor and that she had incorrect information. The Complainant states that she moved away but he continued to stay in front of the stand which she felt was in an intimidating manner.</p> <p>The Complainant alleges that during a conversation with a couple, the Councillor pushed himself into a conversation. It is alleged that the</p>	1, 2 and 3	26 March 2019	<p>No Further Action.</p> <p>The Member was in the Market Place as a private individual, he was not in attendance in an official capacity. There was no evidence that the Member was conducting business of the Parish Council or acting, claiming to act or giving the impression that he was acting as a representative of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Therefore, the allegations regarding the conduct of the Member did not fall</p>

		<p>Councillor's behaviour was rude and aggressive, It is alleged that the Councillor cupped his hands around his face and started chanting loudly saying "these people are lying to you, these are all lies they are telling you" over and over again.</p> <p><u>COM 227</u> The Complainant alleges the Councillor became verbally aggressive and tried to remove a banner. It is alleged the Councillor lunged at him and another protestor who were using their phones to record the incident. The police were called, the Councillor was handcuffed and removed from the Market Place.</p> <p><u>COM232</u> It is alleged that the Councillor was shouting and swearing at the top of his voice, that he lost his temper and pushed elderly people in an aggressive manner who were getting information about the demonstration.</p> <p>The Complainant states that the Councillor pushed his family member and swore at her before approaching the stand of a group of ex-servicemen who were also in the area supporting the demonstration. It is alleged that the Councillor attempted to take down the banner stating that the men were not servicemen, that they were a disgrace, that he was an ex-serviceman and they were not. The Complainant reports that the police were called, the Councillor was removed and told not to return to the area. An hour later he returned to the area shouting, "the Parish Council say you are all telling lies". The police were called again and he was removed.</p> <p><u>COM 235</u> It is alleged that the subject Councillor was shouting, swearing and accosting shoppers. The</p>			within the remit for complaints capable of consideration and determination by the Monitoring Officer.
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			Councillor swore in the complainant's face and pushed her out of the way. It is also alleged that the Councillor started 'kicking off' with ex-servicemen who were also on the demonstration.			
COM 228	Parish	23 January 2019 Parish Councillor	<p>It is alleged that at a demonstration in Durham Market Place on 19 January 2019 when the Complainant asked that banners be removed from the DLI memorial, one of the demonstrators, the subject Councillor, swore at the Complainant and with other demonstrators pushed and abused him, putting their phones in his face.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a potential breach of:</p> <p>Paragraph 1 – He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful.</p> <p>Paragraph 3 – He/she shall not behave in a manner that could be regarded as likely to bring the Council or office as a member of the Council into disrepute.</p>	1 and 3	25 March 2019	<p>No Further Action.</p> <p>The Member was attending a protest demonstration as part of a group who represented veterans. The Member was a part of this group as a veteran who served with the DLI. There was no evidence that the Member was conducting business of the Parish Council or acting, claiming to act or giving the impression that he was acting as a representative of the Parish Council.</p> <p>The allegations regarding the Conduct of the Member did not fall within the remit for complaints capable of consideration and determination by the Monitoring Officer.</p>
COM 229	County	30 January 2019 Member of the public	It is alleged that the subject Councillor filed a rejection letter for a planning application with the sole intention of pushing the planning application to a committee meeting. In doing so the Councillor did not make clear whether she was acting as a Councillor or a member of the public, yet had sent the emails from her official	4.3(h)	21 February 2019	<p>No Further Action.</p> <p>The Member, faced with a tight deadline, made a judgement on the information on the planning portal following representations by</p>

			<p>Durham County Council e-mail address. After visiting the Complainant, the Councillor changed her stance from fully rejecting the Complainant's planning application to neutral but the Complainant says this was too late and has affected the way her application is being considered.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of: Paragraph 4.3(h) which is to 'behave in accordance with all legal obligations, alongside any requirements contained within the Council's policies, protocols and procedures, including on the use of the Council's resources. The Council's protocol which applies in this instance is the Code of Practice for Members and Officers dealing with planning matters.</p>			<p>residents. Upon obtaining assurances from the Complainant regarding the site, the Member acted promptly to update the stance to neutral. The Member has acted in her capacity as Councillor making the representations on behalf of local residents. No evidence was found to suggest that the Member abused her position as a Councillor to influence the Planning Officer.</p>
COM 233	Town	7 February 2019 Town Councillor	<p>The allegations relate to social media posts made on a local community Facebook page regarding expenses claimed during the Complainant's mayoral year. The Complainant states that even after being informed that any money used had come from his allowance the subject Councillor mentioned it a second time.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of: Paragraph 1 - He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful.</p>	1	21 February 2019	<p>No Further Action. Expenses and allowances are in the public domain and are freely available to all for inspection and comment. The Member expressed dissatisfaction of the allowances scheme and remit, but his comment was not an allegation that the Mayor used funds inappropriately or fraudulently, rather that he did not agree with the allowance system to include a purchase through public expense.</p>
COM 236	Town	15 February 2019 Town Clerk	<p>The Complainant alleges that the Councillor has behaved in a manner which is contrary to the code, specifically that:</p>	1, 2 and 6	13 March 2019	<p>Referred for Investigation – with COM 211-213, 223</p>

			<p>He shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful.</p> <p>He shall not act in a way which a reasonable person would regard as bullying or intimidatory.</p> <p>You must not conduct yourself in a manner which could reasonably be regarded as bringing the Council, or your office as a member of the Council, into disrepute.</p>			
COM 238	County	4 March 2019 Member of the public and former Councillor	<p>The Complainant alleges that the Councillor has been continually horrible to her over the last year. The Complainant resigned as Mayor and as a Councillor, and provided details of a series of events leading up to this.</p> <p>The Complainant also states that the Member has relayed complaints about her partners allotment.</p> <p>The Complainant alleges that the Member has been aggressive and bullying in her manner.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>Paragraph 1 - He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful.</p> <p>Paragraph 2 - He/she shall not act in a way which a reasonable person would regard as bullying or intimidatory.</p>	1 and 2	24 April 2019	<p>No Further Action.</p> <p>There was no record of complaints of bullying and harassment being raised. The account was limited to conversations which took place between the Member and the Complainant regarding the contact with an Officer. In relation to the comments regarding the allotment, this was Council business discussed at the Council meeting. The Member together with others took part in the discussion regarding the allotments. The Member presented views which were contrary to the views of the Complainant. A differing of opinion did not in itself amount to bullying and harassment.</p>
COM 240	County	4 March 2019 Member of the public	<p>The Complainant states that the Member placed two biased, factually inaccurate and coercive posting onto Facebook regarding the Northern</p>	4.3h		<p>As at 20.05.2019 - Currently being considered by the</p>

			<p>and Western relief Road proposed in the County Durham Plan. The Member encouraged others to share the post. It is also alleged that the Member has conducted at least one public presentation promoting his views as a County Councillor on the relief roads which the Complainant suggests represents lobbying, contrary to the code.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>Paragraph 4.3(h) - to behave in accordance with Council Polices, protocols and procedures. The Council's protocol which applies in this instance is the Code of Practice for Members and Officers dealing with Planning matters specifically at 2.1 (page 243 of constitution) and 6.1 and 6.2 (page 246 of constitution).</p>			Governance Solicitor with complaints COM 243 and COM 244.
COM 241-242	2 Town	5 March 2019 10 Town Councillors	<p>The Complainants allege that the Councillors distributed leaflets on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018 to residents as a political group. It is alleged that the leaflet contains untrue statements and is bringing the Town Council into disrepute. The leaflet was part of an election campaign prior to May 2017. One of the Councillors refused to apologise and stated that he would continue to distribute the leaflet. The two members have knowingly spread false information and in doing so abused their position of trust.</p>	N/A	10 May 2019	<p>No Further Action. The Town Council's Code of Conduct does not identify an obligation which could be considered to be conduct contrary to the Code. The Town Council's Social Media policy does not contain any element which may be triggered by the paper distribution of information which may be considered false. The complaint therefore falls outside of the scope for a complaint which can be considered by the Monitoring Officer.</p>

COM 243 and COM 244	County	5 March 2019 2 members of the public	<p>The Complainants state that the Councillor submitted a post on his Facebook page urging support for the proposed Durham City Western and Northern Relief Road which was biased and misleading. The Councillor has behaved in a such way which could bring into question the Councillor's impartiality.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>Paragraph 4.3(h) - to behave in accordance with Council Policies, protocols and procedures. The Council's protocol which applies in this instance is the Code of Practice for Members and Officers dealing with Planning matters specifically at 2.1 (page 243 of constitution) and 6.1 and 6.2 (page 246 of constitution).</p>	4.3(h)		As at 20.05.2019 - Currently being considered by the Governance Solicitor with COM 240
COM 245	County	1 April 2019 Member of the public	<p>The Complainant advises that she attended a Planning Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 where the proposed new Council Headquarters was considered. The Councillor spoke in favour of the application following the representations of a Parish Councillor. It is alleged that the Councillor failed to recognise the Parish Councillor by name and appeared to be dismissive of the organisation the Parish Councillor was speaking on behalf of, which the Complainant considered was disrespectful. It is also alleged that the Councillor stated "I don't mean that in a disrespectful way" which the Complainant found disrespectful.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>4.3(j) Always treat people with respect, including the organisations and public they engage with and work alongside.</p>	4.3(j)	7 May 2019	No Further Action. The allegations of the Complainant were based on her own perception and belief, in that the Member should have cited the full title of the Councillor and should have been aware of the organisation she represented. This was a subjective point and the Councillor denied any allegation of being disrespectful. The Complainant acknowledges that when the Member failed to recall the full name of the Council he stated that no disrespect was intended.

COM 246	County	1 April 2019 Member of the public	<p>The Complainant states that he called the Councillor about the location of the Council's new HQ. The Councillor was on the train when the Complainant called and invited him to call her back. The Complainant called back but did not receive any replies to his calls and voicemails. The Complainant wants to know why the Councillor has refused to speak to him.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>4.3(b) To deal with representations or enquiries from residents members of our communities and visitors fairly, appropriate and impartially;</p> <p>4.3(k) Always treat people with respect including organisations and the public they engage with and work alongside.</p>	4.3(b) and 4.3(K)		As at 10.05.2019 - Under consideration by the Governance Solicitor.
COM 247	Parish	2 April 2019 Parish Clerk	<p>The Complainant alleges that the Councillor's behaviour towards the Clerk was bullying and intimidatory in Council meetings and provided details of a series of events in support of the allegations.</p> <p>The allegations relate to a possible breach of:</p> <p>Paragraph 1- He/she shall behave in such a way that a reasonable person regard as respectful. Paragraph 2 - He /she shall not act in a way which a reasonable person would regard as bullying or intimidatory.</p>	1 and 2	27.05.2019	Referred for investigation.
COM 248	Town	5 April 2019 Town Councillor	<p>The details of the complainant are of a sensitive nature, the complainant has been asked to review the details within the complaint before progressing.</p>			Further details to be provided by the Complainant.
COM 249	Parish	8 April 2019 Parish Councillor	<p>The Complainant alleges that there has been financial misconduct by the Councillor, that the Councillor has behaved in a bullying manner</p>	1,2,3,4,5,6		Response received by Member 15.05.2019.

			towards the Complainant, has failed to declare an interest, and has used his position to gain influence.			To be considered by a Solicitor in the Legal Services.
COM 250	Town	16 April 2019 Town Councillor	The Complainant and the Clerk met with the Member in February 2019 regarding the Member Employee Protocol. The Member agreed to reduce the amount of time spent with an Officer from everyday to occasionally. A Staffing Sub-Committee was set up to consider allegations of officer misconduct. The Chair to the Staffing Sub-Committee was advised by the Member of impacts on the health of the Officer; this is alleged to be an attempt to influence the Staffing Sub-Committee.	<b>Code of Conduct</b> 8.1-8.2  <b>Member Employee Protocol</b> A Part 11.2D	21 May 2019	No further action. The Member requested an appointment with the Independent Person and the allegations were denied in full by the Member. The Member resigned as a Councillor before the assessment could be fully undertaken. In view of the resignation of the Councillor it was considered appropriate to mark this as no further action, there are no sanctions which could be imposed by way of local resolution following the resignation and the costs of an investigation would be disproportionate in view of the lack of sanctions in the event of a finding of a breach.
COM 251	Parish	17 April 2019 Member of the public	It is alleged that the Councillor has been working in collusion with a number of persons from an Allotment site to have him isolated and excluded.  The Councillor has failed to provide member subscriptions to NSALG and an insurer in respect of rent for an allotment site.  The Councillor disclosed information which had	1,2,3,4,5,6		To be considered by a Solicitor in Legal Services

			been discussed as exempt at Council meetings in 2017 and 2018.			
COM 252	Parish	17 April 2019 Member of the Public	<p>The Complainant states that following a visit to the allotment site on 20 January 2019 the Councillor had made a complaint against him, stating he had shouted and sworn when she had attended the allotment and that he had been spreading gossip about a tenant. An investigation was carried out, the Complainant denied the allegations and there was no further action.</p> <p>The Complainant was unhappy with the representations which may have been made by the Councillor at a Council meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 under exempt information. The Complainant alleges that his response to the complaint against him was not considered and he did not have an opportunity to make his representations to the Council.</p> <p>The Complainant alleges that the Councillor has concocted the allegations in a bid to censure, to isolate and discriminate against him and others of the allotment. He alleges that the Councillor openly discusses Parish Council exempt information. The Complainant has been told that the Councillor is foul-mouthed and aggressive. There are also allegations regarding criminal behaviour.</p>	1,2,3,4,5,6		As at 21.05.2019 – Additional information provided by the Complainant.
COM 253	Parish	17 May 2019 Member of the public	To be assessed by Solicitor in the Legal Services.			To be allocated to a Solicitor in the legal services team.
COM 254	Parish	17 May 2019 Member of the public	To be assessed by Solicitor in the Legal Services.			To be allocated to a Solicitor in the legal services team.



COM 255	Parish	17 May 2019 Parish Councillor	To be assessed by Solicitor in the Legal Services.			To be allocated to a Solicitor in the legal services team.
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