

Appendix 2: Code of Conduct Complaints Activity

Ref	Council	Date	Allegations	Paragraphs of the Code	Decision Notice	Outcome/Status
COM 277	Town	24.10.2019	The Complainant states that he has had an allotment for 12 years. Recently, he received a letter regarding his allotment, informing him that he was required to tidy it up. The Complainant asked for three months to be able to carry out the required work. He asked for this timescale due to personal reasons which had made it difficult to find the time to attend to his allotment. The Complainant's wife attended an Allotment Committee Meeting on his behalf, the meeting was around August 2019 and it is alleged that a Member stated "come on now stop lying and tell the truth". It is alleged that a Member pressured the Complainant's wife to disclose his medical condition.	Paragraphs 1 and 4		Response received from Members (the whole Council) and is under review by the Governance Solicitor.
COM 278	Town	17.10.2019	The Complainant alleges that the Member (Councillor B) knowingly and falsely using a fake identify to post and make comments on Council matters. It is asserted that this has been done to hide her accountability as a local Councillor. It was also alleged that another Member (Councillor C) had referred to the Member by what was described as a fake name on social media and on the radio show.	Part 3 – Disrepute.	03.02.2020	No further action. Cllr C was not acting in his official capacity at the time of the Complaint. Cllr B a number of posts predate her taking office and therefore were not made in whilst in her official capacity. Cllr B has a personal profile which shows her faith name, she has another profile for her official role and at no point has she attempted to conceal her role.
COM 280	Town	21.11.2019	It is alleged that the Member was angry and aggressive towards the Member at a public meeting. The Member called the Complainant and two other councillors liars. The Complainant finds the conduct of the Member to amount to bullying. The Member has failed to provide an apology to the Complainant.	Paragraphs 1, 2 and 6.		Response received by Member. Under review by the Governance Solicitor.
COM 281	County	22.11.2019	It is alleged that the Member attended the property of the Complainant in October 2019 and took pictures of the fence to report to the Council. The Complainant did not have an issue with the reporting of the issue with the fence however the Member posted the images on Facebook without her consent. The Complainant considers that this was an attempt to humiliate her, the images showed her family home and she has been approached by others regarding the Facebook posts.	4.3 (j) and (j)	04.03.2020	No further action. The Member posted the photo on Facebook which showed the Complainants property however the image was to show a loose bollard. The Governance Solicitor considered that the capturing of the property in the background of the photo showing the bollard was incidental. The

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						Member apologised for any humiliation caused. The Member was invited to consider taking photos on alternative angles or applying filters to blur out background images.
COM 282	Town	06.01.2020	The Complainant was involved in the organising of the Remembrance Sunday Service and Parade. It is alleged that at the end of the service the Member approached the Complainant and asked rather abruptly whether he had received the guidance from Royal British Legion (RBL) regarding publicity during the election period. The Complainant confirmed that he had received the guidance and the Member proceeded to state that the guidance had not been followed as a wreath had been laid by a political party. The Complainant states that he offered to look at the guidance on his phone with the Member and discuss this however the Member brushed off his offer, waved his hands and stormed off.	Paragraph 3.1: i) behave in such a way that a reasonable person would regard as respectful. ii) shall not act in a way which is a reasonable person would regard as bullying or intimidatory	05.03.2020	No further action. At the heart of the complaint was a differing interpretation of pre-election publicity guidance issued by RBL. There was a short interaction between the Member and the Complainant. The allegations that the Member had been abrupt and stormed off were subjective/personal to the Complainant and did not amount to breach of the code.
COM 285	County	21.02.2020	The Complainant is unhappy that she has not received a response to concerns raised with the Members. The Complainant has raised issues relating to litter, smashed glass and that she has poor broadband signal. The Complainant feels ignored, let down and disappointed that she has to live in such mess.	4.3 (a), (b), (e) and (j)		Awaiting response from Members.
COM 286	County	11.02.2020	The Complainant is unhappy with how the Councillors have handled his complaint and representations to his housing provider. The Complainant is also unhappy that one of the Councillors reported him to the police which resulted in the police attending his property.	4.3(a), (b) and (j)		Response provided by Members. Under review by the Governance Solicitor.
COM 287	Town	21.02.2020	It is alleged that the Member made inappropriate comments and threatened the Complainant through Facebook posts. It is also alleged that the Member has used a false profile on Facebook.	Para 1 – Respect Para 2 – Shall not bully or intimidate Para 6 – Shall not bring the Council, or office into disrepute.		Awaiting response from Member.