

APPENDIX 2

**Code of Conduct Complaints - Update
1 December 2017**

Ref No:	Subject Member	Date received and complainant	Allegations	Paragraphs of Code	Date of Decision Notice	Outcome
COM116	Town Councillor	31 July 2017 Town Councillor	The complainant alleged that the Councillor signed the complainant's name to a number of proposed motions for discussion by the Council without her consent. She also alleged that he published one of those motions by posting it to Facebook.	1, 3 and 6	1 September 2017	Local Resolution – subject Member was asked to apologise to the complainant, to undergo Code of Conduct training, to enter into conciliation/mediation with the Clerk
COM117	County Councillor	9 August 2017 Member of the public	The complainant alleged that the Councillor accused him of being a drug dealer and money launderer on Facebook.	1 and 4		Complaint withdrawn
COM118	Town Councillor	21 August 2017 Member of the public	The complainant alleged that the Councillor 'stole' a personal photograph from her Facebook account and posted it on the North East Party Facebook page. The complainant considers that uploading a photograph of her to a political page was pointless and nasty.	1 and 5	1 September 2017	No Further Action

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COM119	Parish Councillor	24 August 2017 Member of the public	The complainant alleged that on 18 August 2017 he observed a County Council operative cutting the grass belonging to stables that are owned by the Councillor. He observed the Council operative talking to the Councillor. He questioned the misuse of public funds and asked whether this was one of the perks of the job of a Parish Councillor.	3	25 September 2017	No Further Action
COM120	County Councillor	29 August 2017 Member of the public	The complainant alleged that the Councillor should have declared the nature of his relationship with a member of the action group relevant to the planning matter being considered, and alleged that there had been corruption in relation to the planning matter being considered. In support of her allegation, the complainant submitted a copy of a statement provided by a resident with whom she was in dispute. The statement included a picture of the Councillor's vehicle outside the resident's house. The statement was created for, and relied upon during criminal proceedings.	4, 5, 15 and 16	27 September 2017	No Further Action
COM121	Town Councillor	4 October 2017 Town Councillor	<p>The complainant alleges that at a meeting on 11 September 2017 during a debate regarding the lack of female representation in leadership roles at the Council the subject Councillor made an angry remark regarding a letter on the subject that had appeared in a local newsletter, and that he acted in an aggressive and threatening manner towards a member of the Council, ignoring the Chairman's repeated request to sit down.</p> <p>The complainant also alleges that during a telephone conversation on 19 September 2017 when the complainant asked the Councillor to consider making an apology for his behaviour at the next meeting, he became rude and angry, and hung up on her. The next day the complainant advises that the Councillor</p>	1 and 2		Currently being considered by the Governance Solicitor

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			stated that he owed her an apology, but did not offer any apology for his behaviour at the meeting on 11 September 2017.			
COM 123	Parish Councillor	9 October 2017 County Councillor	The complainant alleges that the Councillor:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. removed public notices displayed within the village on 7 and 10 October 2017; 2. made false claims about a Residents Group; 3. made false claims about residents of the village; 4. Acted inappropriately towards a constituent, resulting in a restraining order being issued. 	2 and 3		Currently being considered by the Legal Manager – Governance and Elections - subject Councillor requested to speak to Independent Person
COM 124-125	2 Parish Councillors	25 October 2017 Parish Councillor	The complainant alleges that <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At a meeting in April 2017 the Councillors questioned why the complainant was in attendance and faced away from the complainant and the rest of the members throughout the meeting. 2. Prior to the meeting of the Parish Council on 5 April 2017 one of the subject Councillors shouted across the table that the complainant had put the Council at risk by giving incorrect information and this was heard by Members of the Council. 3. The Councillors have spoken aggressively and abruptly to various members of the Council at a number of Parish Council meetings since 5 April 2017. 4. One of the subject Councillor's behaviour at a meeting of the Parish Council on 3 October 2017 was rude and inappropriate, and although he apologised at the request of the Vice-Chair, the complainant felt victimised and bullied. 	1 and 2		Currently being considered by the Governance Solicitor - subject Councillors requested to speak to the Independent Person

