

North East Derbyshire District Council

Standards Committee

9 December 2015

Complaints Update

Report No ADGMO/24/15-16/SS of the Assistant Director – Governance and Monitoring Officer

This report is public

Purpose of the Report

- To advise of current numbers of Code of Conduct complaints received this year.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 The Council has received four complaints so far in this municipal year (since May 2015). All four complaints related to members acting in their capacities as parish/town councillors. Only one has so far been determined which resulted in no breach of the Code of Conduct following consultation with the Independent Person.
- 1.2 Although still a low number when compared against other local authorities, the number of complaints so far received in 2015/16 represents a significant increase for the Council. The Council received only one complaint against a District and parish councillor in the whole of the last year (2014/15).

2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 To advise members of the current numbers of complaints received by the Council.

3 Consultation and Equality Impact

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 None.

5 Implications

- 5.1 None.

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 That the report be noted.

7 Decision Information

Is the decision a Key Decision? (A Key Decision is one which results in income or expenditure to the Council of £50,000 or more or which has a significant impact on two or more District wards)	No
District Wards Affected	None.
Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework	None.

8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title
	None.
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
None.	
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