North Somerset Council

REPORT TO THE STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING: 14TH DECEMBER 2015

SUBJECT OF REPORT: COMPLAINT AGAINST A COUNCILLOR

TOWN OR PARISH: WINSCOMBE AND SANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

OFFICER/MEMBER PRESENTING: DEPUTY HEAD OF LEGAL AND

DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

KEY DECISION: NO

RECOMMENDATIONS

i) that the Sub Committee together with the Independent Member consider the complaint and

ii) that the Sub Committee determine whether there has been a breach of the Winscombe and Sandford Parish Council Code of Conduct by the said Councillor.

1. SUMMARY OF REPORT

A complaint has been received from a member of the public regarding a Winscombe and Sandford Parish Councillor stating that the councillor has breached the Winscombe and Sandford Parish Code of Conduct applicable to councillors.

2. POLICY

Winscombe and Sandford Parish Council Code of Conduct for Councillors contains information on how a councillor should behave when conducting business as a councillor.

3. DETAILS

A complaint has been received from a member of the public about a Winscombe and Sandford Parish Councillor. The Code of Conduct is attached at Appendix 1.

The complaint can be found at Exempt Appendix 2.

The councillor who is the subject of the complaint was informed of the allegation and they responded in writing and this can be found at Exempt Appendix 3.

4. **CONSULTATION**

The councillor has been informed about the complaint.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

None

7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None

8. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

To uphold the Councillors' Code of Conduct

9. OPTIONS CONSIDERED

The options as to whether there is a breach of the code will be considered by the Sub Committee

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