

North Somerset Council

REPORT TO THE STANDARDS SUB-COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING: 4 APRIL 2019

SUBJECT OF REPORT: COMPLAINT AGAINST A TOWN COUNCILLOR

TOWN OR PARISH: PORTISHEAD

OFFICER/MEMBER PRESENTING: SARA SAUNDERS

KEY DECISION: N

RECOMMENDATIONS

- i) that the Sub Committee together with the Independent Member and the Independent Parish Councillor consider the complaint; and
- ii) that the Sub Committee determine whether there has been a breach of the Portishead Town 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 Town Councillor stating that the Councillor has breached the Portishead Town Council Code of Conduct applicable to Councillors.

2. POLICY

The Portishead Town 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 Portishead Town 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 a previously submitted response can be found at Appendix 3.

4. CONSULTATION

The Councillor has been informed about the complaint.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

Costs

None

Funding

None

6. LEGAL POWERS AND IMPLICATIONS

Standards regime is required by the Localism Act 2011

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

None

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None

9. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

To uphold the Portishead Town Council Code of Conduct

10. 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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BACKGROUND PAPERS

None