

## **Report to Standards Committee**

**Subject:** Code of Conduct Complaints Update

**Date:** 27 August 2020

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### **Purpose**

To inform members of the Standards Committee of complaints received between 3 March 2020 and 13 August 2020.

### **Recommendation**

THAT the report be noted.

## **1 Background**

- 1.1 A summary of the complaints received since the implementation of the existing Standards regime (from 1 July 2012) is set out in the table at Appendix 1. Since 3 March 2020 the Monitoring Officer has received 5 new code of conduct complaints.
- 1.2 Members of the Standards Committee will recall that at the time of the last committee meeting, no complaints were outstanding. A summary of the decisions made in relation to the complaints determined since the last meeting appears at Appendix 2. At the time of drafting this report 4 complaints are outstanding.

## **2 Proposal**

- 2.1 It is proposed that the Committee notes the report.

## **3 Alternative Options**

- 3.1 Not to report code of complaints received by the Monitoring Officer.

## **4 Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

## **5 Legal Implications**

5.1 Code of Conduct complaints must be dealt with in accordance with the Council's Approved Arrangements for Dealing with Complaints.

## **6 Equalities Implications**

6.1 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

## **7 Carbon Reduction/Environmental Sustainability Implications**

7.1 There are no carbon reduction/environmental sustainability implications arising from this report.

## **8 Appendices**

8.1 Appendix 1 – Summary of the Code of Conduct complaints received since 1 July 2012.

8.2 Exempt Appendix 2 – Summary of decisions on complaints determined between 3 March 2020 and 13 August 2020.

## **9 Background papers**

9.1 None identified.

### **Statutory Officer approval**

**Approved by the Chief Financial Officer  
Date: 13 August 2020**

**Drafted by the Monitoring Officer**