

Governance Committee: Code of Conduct Complaints against Councillors Millane and Ride

RESOLVED that no breaches of the Code of Conduct were made by Councillor Millane and Councillor Ride.

Reasons for Decision:

The Chairman informed those present that as they could tell by the length of time spent considering the cases that reaching decisions had not been straight forward. The Chairman confirmed that the decisions had been taken after consultation with the Independent Person.

Councillor Ride:

The Chairman stated that no breach of confidentiality had been made by Councillor Ride as he was told that the email was not confidential and as a result there was no confidentiality to be breached. Regarding the second element to the complaint the Committee decided that on balance no breach had been committed by Councillor Ride in failing to respect others. The Committee felt that the incident referred to was not sufficient to amount to a breach. The Chairman stated that in light of no breaches being found in the first two elements of the complaint, the third fell and no breach of bringing the Council into disrepute was found.

Councillor Millane:

The Chairman stated that no breaches of the code had been found against Councillor Millane and the reasons were the same as those provided for Councillor Ride.