

Standards Enquiries and Investigations Statistics – Localism Act 2011

June 2022 to October 2022

Status of Complaint Categories	Total No.	Case No.	City, Parish tier Councillor	Date Issue First Raised	Alleged Breach or Issue Raised	Current Position
1. No formal complaint or withdrawn	0					
2. No further action required after consultation with one of the Independent Persons	1	3/22	Parish tier councillor	September 2022	3 allegations concerning the register of interests, financial arrangements and conduct towards an officer	Advice provided in relation to interests and councillor given 14 days to update their register of interests. This was completed within the timeframe. No further action necessary in relation to the register of interests or the remaining complaints as the issues had already been dealt with via other action already taken by the Councillor.

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3. Not able to legally pursue complaint	0					
4. Complaint on hold	0					
5. Decision as to appropriate action still awaited	0					
6. Complaints being investigated	6	18/21 Now linked with 31-35/21		Apr & Dec 21	Various allegations relating to registration/declaration of interests by 7 councillors	Investigation completed May 22. Complaints relating to 5 councillors dealt with via reminder/warning. Hearing for remaining 2 councillors deferred due to non-availability of different parties. Hearing scheduled for 12 December 2022.
Total	7		7 parish tier complaints			

Formal Complaint Outcomes

	Case No. and Councillor	Committee Date and Decision	Date Issue First Raised	Current Position
Outcome of Investigations	24-27/21 Cllr Wendy Daden as City Councillor	20/9/22 – members determined that the code of conduct did not apply in 3 of the complaints (2 finely balanced) and therefore no breach could arise. In the 4 th complaint members determined that the councillor was acting in official capacity. The Committee concluded that the councillor did not bring the Council into disrepute as alleged (although would likely have brought their role as councillor into disrepute). No breaches of the code of conduct. The model code of conduct now adopted by the council includes bringing the role of councillor into disrepute. Recommendations made by the committee to help avoid confusion as to capacity in future.	October 2021	Complaints concluded. Detailed decision notice provided and matter now closed.
Other Action				