

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE - 23 JANUARY 2013

REPORT BY THE MONITORING OFFICER

COMPLAINT IN RESPECT OF A COUNCILLOR, REFERENCE
EHDC/07/2011

WARD(S) AFFECTED: NONE

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To consider complaints in respect of Councillor M Tindale, a Member of East Herts Council.

1.0 Background

1.1 Council has received complaints alleging that a District Councillor has breached the Authority's Code of Conduct.

2.0 The Report

2.1 The Council has agreed a procedure for considering complaints.

2.2 The Sub-Committee will consider the reports and decide what action to take.

3.0 The Complaints

3.1 Complaints were made that Councillor Tindale breached the Council's Code of Conduct.

3.2 Details of the complaints are set out in the Investigating Officer's report.

4.0 The Investigating Officer's Report

4.1 An investigating officer was appointed to carry out an investigation. Following the investigation, the Investigating Officer concluded that, in all the circumstances of this case, there has been a failure to comply with the Members' Code of Conduct.

5.0 Pre-Hearing

5.1 In preparation for this hearing, Councillor Tindale has been provided with a copy of the Investigating Officer's report.

6.0 Procedure for the Hearing

6.1 A copy of the procedure which the Council has adopted for the conduct of such hearings is contained in **Essential Reference Paper B**. A copy of the Investigating Officer's reports is attached at **Essential Reference Paper C**.

7.0 Implications/Consultations

7.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper 'A'**.

Background Papers

None

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ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives <i>(delete as appropriate):</i>	People This priority focuses on enhancing the quality of life, health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities, particularly those who are vulnerable.
Consultation:	None
Legal:	The procedures are in accordance with the regulations.
Financial:	None
Human Resource:	None
Risk Management:	The case should be determined in accordance with the regulations having regard to the relevant guidance.

