EAST HERTS COUNCIL

STANDARDS SUB COMMITTEE - 23 JANUARY 2013

REPORT BY THE MONITORING OFFICER

COMPLAINT IN RESPECT OF A COUNCILLOR, REFERENCE EHDC/08/2011

WARD(S) AFFECTED: NONE

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To consider complaints in respect of Councillor M Tindale, a Member of Fast Herts Council
- 1.0 <u>Background</u>
- 1.1 The 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 is that there has been a failure to comply with the Members' Code of Conduct.

- 5.0 <u>Pre-Hearing</u>
- 5.1 In preparation for this hearing, Councillor Tindale has been provided with a copy of the Investigating Officer's report.
- 6.0 <u>Procedure for the Hearing</u>
- 6.1 A copy of the Investigating Officer's report is attached at Essential Reference Paper B.
- 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	People
the Council's	This priority focuses on enhancing the quality of life,
Corporate	health and wellbeing of individuals, families and
Priorities/	communities, particularly those who are vulnerable.
Objectives	
(delete as	
appropriate):	
Consultation:	None
Legal:	The procedures are in accordance with the regulations.
Financial:	None
Human	None
Resource:	
Risk	The case should be determined in accordance with the
Management:	regulations having regard to the relevant guidance.