

COMPLAINT UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT

REPORT TO AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE



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PURPOSE

1. To report the decision of the Audit and Standards Sub Committee Hearing Panel on 23rd July 2019 in relation to the conduct of Councillor Hosker.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Committee notes the decision of the Hearing Panel on 23rd July 2019.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. The Committee is charged with promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Members, Co – opted members and employees of the Council. The determination of complaints about members is delegated to the Audit and Standards Sub Committee, and it is appropriate to report the outcome of the Hearing to Committee.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

4. On 23rd July 2019 the Audit and Standards Sub Committee Hearing Panel considered an allegation that Councillor Hosker had breached the Code of Conduct for Members by liking misogynistic comments on the Councillor Hosker County and Borough Councillor Facebook page.
5. Following a full hearing the Sub Committee determined that Councillor Hosker had breached the Code of Conduct for Members in relation to the Leadership Principle , as set out on the attached Minutes (including the Decision Notice) of the Audit and Standards Sub Committee Hearing Panel of 23rd July 2019 (Appendix 1).
6. The Hearing Panel recommended the following;
 - (i) That the findings of the Panel be published (this has been done);and
 - (ii) That the findings of the Panel be reported to the Full Council (intended for the next Full Council meeting on 25th September 2019) .

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION
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7. None

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

8. None

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

9. None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

10. None.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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