

Medway Council
Meeting of Councillor Conduct Committee
Monday, 27 January 2014
6.00pm to 6.15pm

Record of the meeting

Subject to approval as an accurate record at the next meeting of this committee

Present: Councillors: Mrs Diane Chambers, Adrian Gulvin, Hicks (Chairman), Kemp (Vice-Chairman), Royle, Shaw and Smith

Substitutes: Councillors:
Griffiths (Substitute for Paul Godwin)

In Attendance: Perry Holmes, Assistant Director Legal and Corporate Services/Monitoring Officer
Nicola Smith, Democratic Services Officer
Sidikatu Solaru, Senior Legal Assistant - Information Management

756 Record of meeting

The record of the meeting held on 16 December 2013 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as correct.

757 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Paul Godwin.

758 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances

There were none.

759 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests

Disclosable pecuniary interests

There were none.

Other interests

There were none.

760 Exclusion of the press and public

Resolved:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the exempt material relating to agenda item 6 because consideration of these matters in public would disclose information falling within Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as specified in agenda item 5, and, in all the circumstances of the case, the Committee considers that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

761 Assessment of Complaint CCC/001/2014

Discussion:

The Committee considered complaint CCC/001/2014 received by the Monitoring Officer on 20 December 2013.

Decision:

- (a) The Committee decided to take no further action on the complaint.

Reasons:

- i) The Committee determined that the alleged complaint did not include any actions by the Member that might be a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct.
- ii) The Committee believe that the Councillor had done all they could to assist the resident whose personal situation they were sympathetic to. The protracted procedures involved were a matter of regret but were outside the Councillor's influence.

Chairman

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