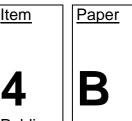


Committee and date Standards Committee

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COMPLAINTS ABOUT MEMBER CONDUCT

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Summary

This report provides information in respect of complaints about member conduct which have been dealt with by the Assessment Sub-Committee on 29th April 2009 or the Review Sub-Committee on 29th April 2009 and 1st June 2009, respectively.

Recommendations

That the report be noted.

Report

(i) Outcome of complaints to Assessment Sub-Committee on 29th April 2009.

To inform the Committee of the decisions of the Assessment Sub-Committee to take no further action in respect of allegations that Councillors B Jones and C Baines of the former Bridgnorth District Council and Councillors E Nicholas and C Coles of West Felton Parish Council failed to comply with the relevant Councils' Code of Conduct.

A copy of the Decision Notice for each case is attached.

- (ii) Outcome of requests for review of decisions to the Review Sub-Committee.
 - (a) To inform the Committee of the decisions of the Review Sub-Committee of 29th April 2009 to uphold the decisions of the former Bridgnorth District Council to take no further action in respect of allegations that Councillors E Shirley of Bridgnorth Town Council and Cllr B Jones and all members of Bridgnorth Town Council failed to comply with the Code of Conduct of the Town Council.

A copy of the original Decision Notice for each case is attached.

(b) To inform the Committee of the decision of the Review Sub-Committee of 1st June 2009 to uphold the decision of the Assessment Sub-Committee to take no further action in respect of an allegation that Councillor E Nicholas of West Felton Parish Council failed to comply with the Code of Conduct of the Parish Council.

A copy of the original Decision Notice is <u>attached</u>, and referred to in (i) <u>above</u>.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Decision Notices of Assessment Sub-Committee regarding complaints on member conduct.

Human Rights Act Appraisal

This report is compatible with the Human Rights Act 1998.

Environmental Appraisal N/A

Risk Management Appraisal

It is vital to ensure high standards of conduct from elected and so-opted members of parish/town councils. A failure to do so will undermine the public's trust in their local Councillors and Councils.

Community / Consultations Appraisal N/A

Cabinet Member

N/A

Local Member

All areas of the County.

Appendices

1. Decision Notices of Assessment Sub-Committee.