## BDC COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST MEMBERS – FULL UPDATE OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED 2022/23

List of Cases which did not proceed to investigation

| DATE OF<br>RECEIPT | PART OF CODE<br>OF CONDUCT<br>ALLEGED TO<br>HAVE BEEN<br>BREACHED                            | NAME OF<br>COUNCIL                      | WHETHER A POTENTIAL BREACH WAS FOUND | REASONS FOR<br>DECISION/ ACTION                               |
|--------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| 30/05/22           | Respect – councillor used inappropriate language in social media exchange                    | South<br>Normanton<br>Parish<br>Council | Yes                                  | Minor breach. Complainant happy to accept an apology          |
| 01/06/22           | Respect-<br>Councillor was<br>aggressive<br>towards others at<br>a community<br>event        | South<br>Normanton<br>Parish<br>Council | No                                   | Councillor not acting in capacity as a councillor at the time |
| 13/06/22           | Discrimination<br>and bias<br>Failure to comply<br>with Nolan<br>principle of<br>objectivity | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council         | No                                   | MO considered no further action required                      |
| 13/06/22           | Failure to comply with Nolan principles of objectivity, openness and impartiality            | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council         | No                                   | MO considered no further action required                      |
| 21/06/22           | Making a<br>dishonest<br>statement at a<br>parish council<br>meeting                         | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council         | No                                   | Councillor not acting in capacity as a councillor at the time |

| 19/07/22 | Failing to comply<br>with Council's<br>Standing Orders                                      | Shirebrook<br>Town<br>Council           | No | Actions not covered by the code                                 |
|----------|---|---|----|---|
| 01/8/22  | Respect<br>Social media<br>posting  | Clowne<br>Parish<br>Council             | No | Councillor not acting in capacity as a councillor at the time   |
| 10/08/22 | Breach of confidentiality Councillor accused of sharing exempt information with a 3rd party | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council         | No | Insufficient evidence   |
| 01/11/22 | Respect Comments by councillor about members of staff during Council meeting                | Tibshelf<br>Parish<br>Council           | No | MO considered no further action required                        |
| 08/11/22 | Respect<br>Social media<br>argument   | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council         | No | Councillor not acting in capacity as a councillor at the time   |
| 14/02/23 | Respect   | South<br>Normanton<br>Parish<br>Council | No | MO considered no further action required                        |
| 20/02/23 | Dishonesty  | Tibshelf<br>Parish<br>Council           | No | Insufficient evidence  MO considered no further action required |

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| 10/08/22           | Breach of confidentiality  Councillor accused of sharing exempt information with a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party | Bolsover<br>District<br>Council | No                                   | Investigating officer interviewed the councillor and found insufficient evidence to recommend there had been a breach.  |
| 17/10/22<br>*      | Respect-<br>behaviour during<br>parish council<br>meeting  | Shirebrook<br>Parish<br>Council |                                      |   |
| 21/10/22           | Respect-<br>behaviour during<br>parish council<br>meeting  | Shirebrook<br>Parish<br>Council | Yes                                  | Investigating Officer interviewed the complainant but not the complainee. Investigating Officer was able to view an audio recording of the incident and has found that the councillor's behaviour fell below the standard that was expected |
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<sup>\*</sup>These complaints area about incidents at the same meeting but different councillors

## Currently there are two outstanding complaint at an informal stage.

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| 20/02/23           | Respect<br>Social media<br>posting                                | Clowne<br>Parish<br>Council    |  |
| 09/03/23           | Respect   | Blackwell<br>Parish<br>Council |  |