

**MEMBER CONDUCT PANEL
1ST JULY 2022**

PRESENT: The Chair (Councillor Murphy)
Councillors Draycott and Ranson

Monitoring Officer
Independent Person (virtual)
Democratic Services Officer (NC)

APOLOGIES: None

The Monitoring Officer stated that the meeting would be recorded and the sound recording subsequently made available via the Council's website. He also advised that, under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, other people may film, record, tweet or blog from this meeting, and the use of any such images or sound recordings was not under the Council's control.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED that Councillor Murphy be appointed Chair for the meeting.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

No disclosures were made.

3. EXEMPT INFORMATION

RESOLVED that members of the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item on the grounds that it will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

The Democratic Services Officer stopped the sound recording.

4. COMPLAINT OF A POTENTIAL BREACH OF THE MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

A report of the Monitoring Officer was considered providing information concerning a complaint against a Borough Councillor, for which the decision reached by the Monitoring Officer following his initial fact finding differed from the Conclusion of the Independent Person.

The Monitoring Officer and Independent Person both attended the meeting to assist the Panel in its consideration whether or not further action was required in respect of the complaint.

The Panel retired to consider the matter with the clerk and on its return:

RESOLVED that the complaint merited investigation.

Reason

For reasons as set out in the exempt minute and in accordance with the relevant process as specified in the Constitution.