

## Local Assessment Statistics

Appendix 1

Period <sup>1</sup>	Number of complaints assessed	Reviews conducted	No further action	Referred for other action	Referred for local investigation	Joint referred for local investigation / no further action	Joint no further action / referred for other action	Referred to Standards for England for investigation	Final determinations
<b>Total</b>	<b>107<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>23<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>3+4</sup></b>	<b>72<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>0<sup>5</sup></b>

Nature of complaints	Number of complaints
Register of Members' Interests (failure to declare in full/failure to complete and return within required 28 days of adoption of the Code of Conduct)	2
Failure to treat others with respect	1
Acted in a manner which brought office/the Council into disrepute	4
Bullying / intimidation of Council officers	2
Combined: brought office into disrepute / improper use of position / prevention of access to information to which a person is entitled by law	1
General inappropriate behaviour relating to actions at a meeting of the Council's Planning Committee	5
Inappropriate articles appearing in Parish Council newsletter	2
Disclosure of confidential information	2
Inappropriate remarks about another elected Member in local press	1
Various matters relating to inappropriate behaviour during meeting Full Council meeting of 29 July 2009	87

- <sup>1</sup> - The statistics detailed cover the period since the introduction of local assessment in May 2008 to 30 October 2009 (the date of preparation of this report).
- <sup>2</sup> - In 1 case the Monitoring Officer's discretion under Regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 was used to refer the matter back to the Assessment Sub-Committee for reconsideration (which has been counted as 1 complaint for statistical purposes).
- <sup>3</sup> - A request for review on 2 related complaints for which the Assessment Sub-Committee decided to take no further action were reviewed by the Review Sub-Committee and a decision was reached to refer the complaints to the Monitoring Officer for other action. A number of requests for review of recent Assessment Sub-Committee decisions have been received for which the reviews have not yet been undertaken.
- <sup>4</sup> - Other action has been completed by one Subject Member and is currently due to be completed by the Monitoring Officer in relation to 2 parish council complaints.
- <sup>5</sup> - The final determination of 1 of the complaints referred for local investigation will take place at the meeting of the Standards Committee on 11th November 2009. The remaining investigations are yet to be completed.
- <sup>6</sup> - All 5 cases referred to Standards for England were accepted for investigation. It was the Ethical Standards Officer's finding in each case that there had been no failure on the part of the Subject Member to follow the Code of Conduct.