

**Report Reference: SC.070715/2**

**Record of Complaints alleging breaches of Codes of Conduct and Record of Daventry District Council Dispensations  
(Updated as at June 15)**

**1. Record of Complaints**

**(a) Complaints awaiting Assessment**

<b>Date of correspondence</b>	<b>Nature of complaint</b>	<b>Who Against</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Comments</b>
23.6.15	Alleged bias against complainant (LC.10/15).	Parish Councillor	N/A	N/A

**(b) Complaints Decided/Resolved**

<b>Date of correspondence</b>	<b>Nature of complaint (with case number)</b>	<b>Who Against</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Comments</b>
5.6.14	Alleged failure to treat fellow Councillors with respect and bringing of Parish Council into disrepute (LC.07/14).	Parish Councillors	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, little prospect of demonstrating failure to comply with Code. However, guidance provided for Parish Councillors' future practice.
16.6.14	Alleged failure to treat complainant with respect, bullying and bringing of office into disrepute (LC.08/14).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, unlikely to amount to failure to comply with Code.
22.7.14	Alleged inappropriate actions by not declaring previous involvement with an objector (LC.09/14).	Parish Councillors	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, little prospect of demonstrating failure to comply with Code.
4.9.14	Alleged bias, bullying of complainant and other councillors, disruptive behaviour and disdain for Parish Council procedures and decisions (LC.10/14).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. No particular prospect of proving breach of Code. However guidance provided for Parish Council's future practice.

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5.9.14	Alleged failure to treat complainant with respect and improper use of position resulting in disadvantage for complainant (LC.11/14).	Parish Council	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. No likelihood of substantiating allegations, nor likely to amount to breach of Code.
28.10.14	Alleged disrespect by, and poor conduct, of Parish Council (LC.12/14).	Parish Councillor	Inadmissible complaint.	Monitoring Officer decision. Complaint was clearly about the Parish Council as a body, particularly its procedures, thus not within scope of Code, so inadmissible.
17.12.14	Alleged lack of openness, objectivity, accountability, honesty and selflessness; failure to treat complainant with respect; threatening and aggressive behaviour towards complainant; misleading of Parish Council and failure to prevent publication of reports; trespass (LC.13/14).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, unlikely to amount to or prove failure to comply with Code, plus some unreasonable dated incidents. No wider public interest to justify investigation. Some allegations not within scope of Code.
22.12.14	Alleged failure to treat complainant and Monitoring Officer with respect; compromising the impartiality and bringing of Parish Council into disrepute; improper acquisition and use of information, breaching confidentiality; bullying and preventing access to information (LC.14/14).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, unlikely to amount to or prove failure to comply with Code.
22.12.14	Alleged failure to act in public interest; failure to treat complainant with respect; bullying; bias; compromising impartiality; withholding information; bringing Parish Council into disrepute (LC.15/14).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, unlikely to amount to or prove failure to comply with Code.

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27.12.14	Alleged dismissive behaviour, bullying of a councillor, bias and misleading of complainants. (LC.01/15).	Parish Councillors	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on evidence, unlikely to amount to or prove failure to comply with Code.
13.2.15	Alleged bias (LC.02/15).	District Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information provided, unlikely to amount to failure to comply with Code.
18.2.15	Alleged bringing of District Council into disrepute (LC.03/15).	District Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Not worth pursuing investigation or informal resolution as councillor subsequently left office. Parish Council asked to enter statement on the matter in its official records.
18.2.15	Alleged disrespect and misleading of a Committee (LC.04/15).	District Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information available and on evidence, unlikely to amount to failure to comply with Code.
26.2.15	Alleged inappropriate behaviour and compromising of decision making (LC.05/15).	District Councillors	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information available, unlikely to amount to failure to comply with Code.
25.3.15	Alleged failure to treat complainant with respect and bringing of office into disrepute. (LC.06/15).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Based on information available, unable to determine if councillor was acting in that capacity and unable to prove failure to comply with Code.
8.5.15	Alleged inappropriate comments (LC.08/15).	Parish Councillor	No further action. Case closed.	Monitoring Officer decision. Not worth pursuing investigation or informal resolution as councillor subsequently left office.

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**(c) Complaints awaiting Decision (following referral from Assessment)**

<b>Date of correspondence</b>	<b>Nature of complaint (with case number, where allocated)</b>	<b>Who Against</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Comments</b>
8.5.15	Alleged aggressive behaviour towards and intimidation of complainant's relative and a councillor (LC.07/15).	Parish Councillor	Formal investigation instigated.	Monitoring Officer referral. Investigation underway.
9.6.15	Alleged aggressive behaviour towards complainant. (LC.09/15).	Parish Councillor	Formal investigation instigated.	Monitoring Officer referral. Investigation underway (combined with LC.07/15).

**2. Record of Dispensations (District Councillors only)**

<b>Date of Correspondence</b>	<b>Nature of Dispensation requested</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Comments</b>
26.5.15	Dispensation to apply to discussion on matters affecting the interests of a company (established via the Council).	Granted.	Dispensation granted for councillor's current term of office.
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