

Appendix A

Standards cases considered, April 2019 to date

Please note that these cases have already been subject to media publicity and are therefore already in the public domain. We have not sought to exempt them on this basis.

Councillor Frank Warby	West Suffolk Council	The Monitoring Officer received 85 complaints related to posts submitted on Facebook by Councillor Warby. The complaints raised concern that Councillor Warby's posts were both offensive and racist. Councillor Warby resigned prior to the complaint being assessed.
Councillors Rachel Hood, Andy Drummond and Chris O'Neill	Newmarket Town Council	<p>The Monitoring Officer received two complaints in relation to Newmarket Town Council. In the first, it was confirmed that Councillor Andy Drummond had breached the Code of Conduct and he immediately issued an apology as requested. There was a lack of evidence to support a complaint in relation to Councillor Rachel Hood. The Monitoring Officer also reiterated previous comments that the Town Council should take action to resolve internal tensions. This was also reiterated in relation to the complaint against Councillor Chris O'Neill, where it was considered Cllr O'Neill's actions did not breach the Code of Conduct.</p> <p>Since this time, the Council has undertaken a number of changes including the appointment of a new permanent Clerk. No further complaints have been received.</p>