

STANDARDS COMMITTEE - REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE

Closed meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on Monday, 20th April, 2009 at 4.00 pm

MEMBERSHIP

<u>Independent Members</u>

Rosemary Greaves (Chair)

Councillors

Councillor David Blackburn

Parish Members

Councillor John C Priestley

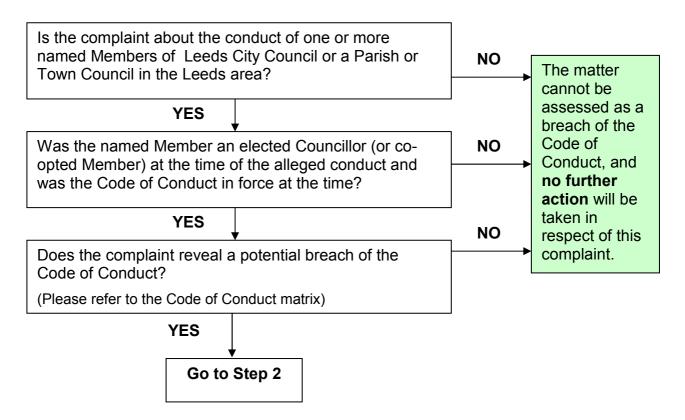
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AGENDA

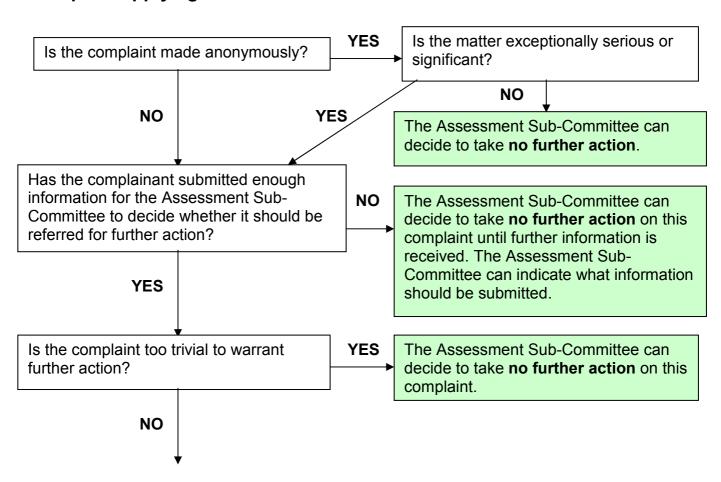
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1			DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
			To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members' Code of Conduct.	
2			CASE REFERENCE 0809013	1 - 40
			To review the decision of the Assessment Sub- Committee, consider whether the complaint meets the initial tests as set out in the report, and decide what action to take in relation to the complaint.	
3			LESSONS TO LEARN	
			To consider any lessons to learn from the above cases, and to identify any Standards Committee procedures which may require revision.	

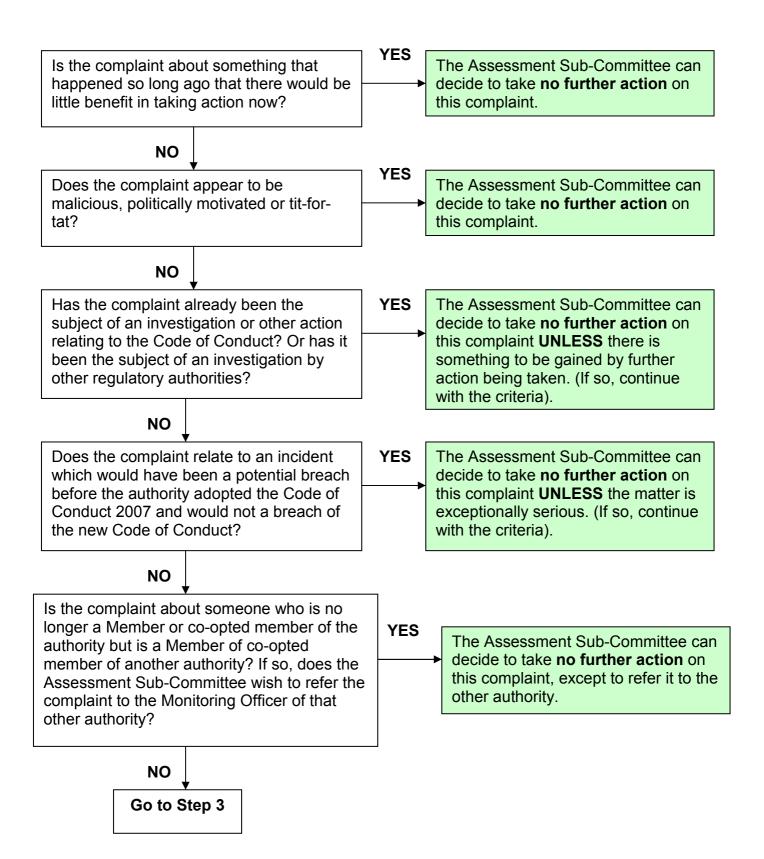
Assessment Flowchart

Step 1 - Initial Tests

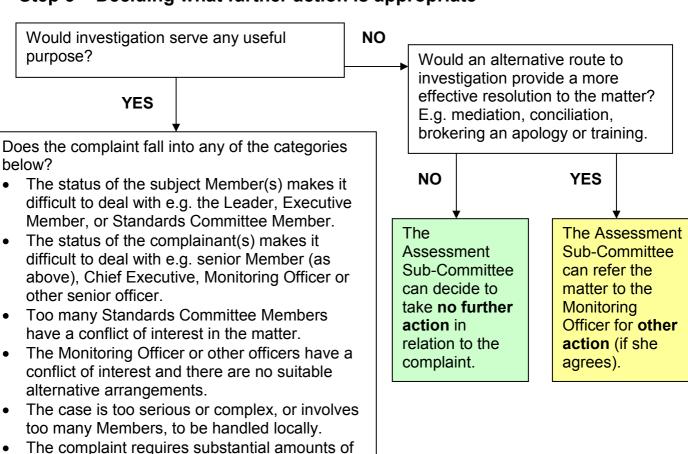


Step 2 - Applying Assessment Criteria





Step 3 – Deciding what further action is appropriate



 There is substantial governance dysfunction in the Council or the Standards Committee.

evidence not available from the Council. its

Member or officers.

- The complaint relates to long term systematic member/officer bullying which would be better investigated by someone external to the Council.
- The complaint raises significant or unresolved legal issues which require a national ruling.
- The public would perceive that the Council has an interest in the outcome of the case i.e. liable to judicial review.
- Exceptional circumstances prevent the Standards Committee from handling the case well, fairly and within a reasonable timescale.

The Assessment Sub-Committee can refer the matter to the Monitoring Officer for Local Investigation.

The Assessment Sub-Committee should refer the matter to the Monitoring Standards Board for England for investigation.



Agenda Item 2

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